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Socialism In New Profits Tax!

London, To-day.

It is ironical that in the chorus of applause, or at least resignation, with which the generality of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Budget proposals were received, his one great surprise (the Growth of Profits Tax) is received in more kindly fashion by the Opposition than by Government supporters, both in the lobbies and the press.

A definite minority of Ministerialists make no attempt to disguise their hostility, whereas Labour and Liberal members regard it as a socialist proposal which would be vehemently denounced if it had been introduced by a Socialist Government.

The dissentients argue that it is most complicated, unjust and arbitrary and will inevitably tend to be passed on and thus increase prices.

The Opposition, however, is not so large as to threaten retreat by the Chancellor, particularly as numerous Conservatives agree that the Government is entitled to ask a share of the profits its policy is creating, and also that the tax constitutes an insurance against industrial unrest arising from the belief that Britain's rearmament is accompanied by profiteering.

Running through the press comments is sympathy for Mr. Chamberlain in that he has been deprived by an accident of history of the well-earned fruits of six years of most successful finance.—Reuter.

Austrian Nazis Demonstrate

VIENNA, TO-DAY.

SEVERAL MINOR DEMONSTRATIONS BY AUSTRIAN NAZIS OCCURRED HERE YESTERDAY ON THE OCCASION OF HERR HITLER'S BIRTHDAY.

Small groups of Nazis appeared on the streets shouting "Heil Hitler," and police took the names of about fifty demonstrators. No arrests were made.

Swastika flags suddenly appeared in the early morning attached to chimney pots and other inaccessible places, and firemen who were called out to remove the emblems had great difficulty in their task.

Handfuls of tiny paper Swastikas were also scattered in some of the busiest streets.—Trans.Ocean.

MEDIATION AND COOPERATION IN CHINA

Tokyo, To-day.

Under sensational streamer lines, the "Tokyo Nichi-Nichi" this morning announces that on Britain's initiative, negotiations will shortly be opened with the object of securing Anglo-Japanese co-operation in China and a solution of Sino-Japanese relations.

THE NEWSPAPER, ONE OF THE BEST INFORMED OF THE JAPANESE DAILIES, DECLARES THAT BRITAIN RECENTLY NOTIFIED THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT INFORMALLY OF ITS DESIRE TO PROMOTE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN AND TO EFFECT ANGLO-JAPANESE CO-OPERATION FOR REACHING AN ANGLO-JAPANESE UNDERSTANDING IN CHINA.

As the result of the British initiative, diplomatic negotiations concerning Anglo-Japanese co-operation in China are about to commence.

The primary object of the negotiations, it is stated, is to secure the restoration of normal enforcement of the Chinese Maritime Customs system on the basis of the stabilisation of Sino-Japanese relations.

MINISTERS CONFER

The "Nichi-Nichi" adds that for the purpose of discussing this approach, a Three-Minister Conference was held in Tokyo yesterday afternoon between the Foreign Secretary, the War Minister and the Minister of the Navy.

The Foreign Minister is said to have emphasised during the discussion, the necessity also of ameliorating Japano-Soviet relations.

MR. SATO'S POLICY

He stressed particularly, however, the urgent need for an adjustment of Sino-Japanese relations and the necessity for securing the support of Britain in endeavouring to effect Anglo-Japanese co-operation in China, which Mr. Sato said he considered to be vital for Japan's adjustment of Sino-Japanese relations.

It is reported that both the Navy and War Ministers concurred and promised their support in the carrying out of Mr. Sato's policy.—Reuter.

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Japanese Protest To S.M.C.

Tokyo, To-day.

Another clash looms between the Japanese Government and the Shanghai Municipal Council.

It concerns the transfer of taxation rights in the extension areas of Shanghai.

The Shanghai Municipal Council, by an agreement initialled on April 18, transferred the rights to the Municipality of Greater Shanghai.

This was done without the previous knowledge of the Japanese Government, and it is now learned that the Japanese Foreign Office has instructed the acting Consul-General in Shanghai to lodge protests with the S. M. C. and the Municipality of Greater Shanghai.

The action is described in Tokyo as an "extremely unfriendly move."

The agreement transferring the taxation rights was initialled by Mr. Stirling Fessenden, Secretary-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and Mr. O. K. Yui, Secretary-General of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai.—Reuter.

still closed but it is announced that they will reopen to-day.—Trans.Ocean.

PAREE GOING GAY AGAIN TO-NIGHT

Paris, To-day.

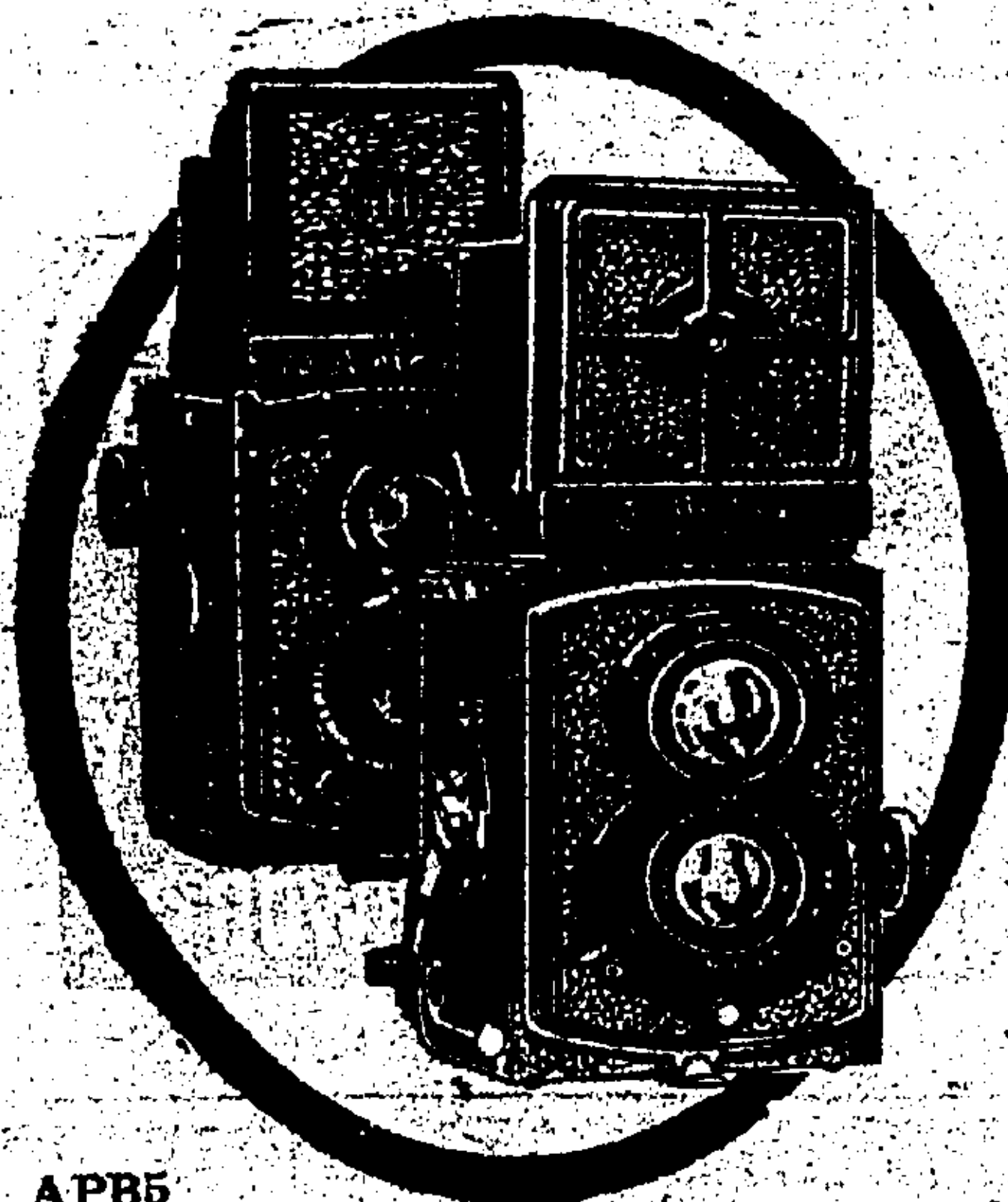
The strike in Paris theatres and cinemas, which had threatened to curtail amusement possibilities in the capital, had largely fizzled out last night, only two large boulevard cinemas remaining closed.

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Protection Of Children

Society's Tribute To Governor

Reference to the keen and practical interest which Sir Andrew and Lady Caldecott took in the Society for the Protection of Children was made at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society held on Monday evening.

Mr. J. T. Prior, who presided, stated that both Sir Andrew and Lady Caldecott took a very great interest in the Society and its work—far more than was apparent to the public and, perhaps, even to members of the Committee. Before they left the Colony, they forwarded a cheque for \$300 for the Society.

The Committee decided to forward a letter of thanks for the donation and to express deep appreciation of the donors' interest in the Society.

The finance report for March showed that, after taking account of the annual grant of \$5,000 from the Government, net income during the month was \$3,756.25.

The case report revealed that during March 141 new cases were dealt with, involving 324 children. The number of cases under supervision at the end of the month was 1,017.

Of the new cases, poverty alone accounted for 129, whilst in 98 cases the only accommodation was a bed-space. The average income per head per month of cases handled was \$1.75. During the month 4,273 persons visited the Society's offices, and inspectors' visits to homes numbered 482.

Creche Available Soon

It was reported that the creche in Clarence Terrace, generously provided by a donor, would soon be ready for use. It is the intention that the creche shall be used entirely for babies of mothers employed in work, those under one year being given preference.

There will be a special ward for babies suffering from disease, and local doctors will report on such cases.

The hope was expressed that if this creche is the success expected, other donors will come forward to provide similar institutions in other districts.

Two interesting cases reported by the Hon. Secretary of the Eastern district were considered by the Committee.

One of these was that of a widow of 42 years, who had been in the Colony for 23 years, and who had two sons, aged respectively 14 and 9 years. She was in arrears of rent for a bed-space, and only earned \$1.50 a month, with food, as an amah. The elder boy was working for food without pay. The inspector of the district recommended that the younger boy be admitted, if possible, to the St. Louis Industrial Home or similar institution.

It was eventually decided that the case be referred to the Street Boys' Club, a representative of which, present at the meeting, suggested this course.

The other case to come before the Committee was one in which \$6 per month had been granted some years ago, when it was revealed that the family, a mother and four children, had no income whatever.

The Hon. Secretary of the Eastern district reported that the Children's ages varied between 14 and 18 years. Only the mother and

R.A.F. BOMBERS CRASH

No Fatality In Two Mishaps

London, To-day.

The long series of mishaps to Royal Air Force planes this year was added to yesterday by the loss of two bombers.

In the first crash, which occurred at Martlesham Heath, in Suffolk, the pilot escaped death by a parachute jump.

In the other accident the three occupants, although badly shaken, escaped with only slight injuries.—Trans-Ocean.

BIRTHDAY OF HERR HITLER

Celebrated By Local German Community

The local German Community, in honour of the birthday of the Fuehrer, yesterday gathered in the German Club, where, at the invitation of Herr M. Hess, local Nazi party leader, they enjoyed a dinner, interposed by songs by Frau Schreiber and accordion playing by Herr Semper.

The Royal Ulster Rifle Band was in attendance with five of its members. After dinner, dancing began, much assisted by the splendid performance of the Band, which created special attention and admiration.

S.P.C. Charity Ball

The Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children regrets that the names of the following artistes who contributed to the cabaret programme at the recent charity ball at the Peninsula Hotel were inadvertently omitted in the expression of thanks and appreciation: Nelly Field, Audrey Steele, Noreen Cooper, Jack Barnet, Willy Forsyth and Peter Morton, who appeared in "Manhattan Serenade"; Messrs. Tweed, White and Smith (variety item); Gloria Yee and Norah Kew (tap dance); and Mr. R. A. Edwards (xylophone selections).

daughter were working, their total income now being \$16 per month. It was further pointed out that the family were now grown-up, the eldest boy being 16 years of age.

After discussion, the branch secretary was given authority gradually to reduce the grant from the Society, and, at his discretion, eventually to discontinue it.

Chief Justice Attends

Sir Atholl MacGregor was cordially welcomed on joining the Committee, and the name of Mrs. V. C. Branson, Hon. Treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary, was added to the Committee.

The meeting accorded a hearty vote of thanks to the Women's auxiliary for the big success achieved in the charity ball and street sale of flowers.

In addition to the Chairman, there were present at the meeting the Hon. Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, the Rev. H. W. Baines, Dr. G. R. Nash, Mrs. McAvoy, Mrs. Middleton Smith, Mrs. Alabaster, Miss Steele, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Mrs. V. C. Branson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hicks, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Mr. D. L. Skinner, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. D. Black, Mr. A. el Arculli, Mr. S. V. Boxer, and Mr. J. Middleton Smith.

THE WORLD GOES BY

I AM thrilled beyond words to hear that York House has been redecorated, and that a "delicate shade of ice blue has been chosen for the principal rooms."

My own boudoir, of course, is too sweet for words. It is done in a positively fragile shade of grey, while along the top of the walls runs a sort of Bordeaux tapestry thing depicting scenes from my young but varied life. Altogether most blush-making.

My bedroom, on the other hand, is an austere affair. Merely an iron camp-bed, which I used on my campaigns, a wash-stand and a typewriter. The latter, needless to say, is never used but is merely there to give an effect of industry, which again, needless to say, I lack entirely. But it takes some people in.

My drawing rooms (note the plural) are lovely affairs full of priceless Louis XV, XVI, XVII and XVIII furniture. I couldn't get any later Louis stuff for some reason or other, partly because, I am inclined to think, the supply ran out at that time owing to Danton, Robespierre and other inconsiderate people who had no regard for the furniture collectors of the future.

I also have many flunkies dressed in gorgeous uniforms and knee breeches, who open and close the door of my luxurious limousine and generally decorate the premises.

And all this leads us to what? How the heck do I know? So let's get onto something else.

A new book, I see, bears the title "Unusual Dishes." No doubt something off the Beeton track.

A man lost his artificial teeth while planting potatoes in the Spring. It is difficult, however, to believe that while he was eating a boiled potato in the Autumn the missing molars slipped snugly into place with a gratifying click.

A contemporary credits a telegram from Spain to "British Ambassador." Another case of diplomatic wire-pulling?

In a North London suburb a muffin-man advertises his wares by playing the trombone. Crumpeter, what are you sounding now?

Special magistrates for motoring cases are being advocated in England. Justices of the Pace?

ULYSSES.

NEW GOVERNMENT IN ANHWEI

Liu Shang-ching As
Governor

Nanking, To-day.

The Executive Yuan has completely reorganized the Provincial Government of Anhui.

Mr. Liu Shang-ching has been appointed Governor and Mr. Kan Yuk-pei as Secretary-General, while Messrs. Ngai Kam, Yang Men-chung, Yang Lin and Liu Yi-yen are appointed, respectively, Commissioners of Civil Affairs, Finance, Education and Reconstruction. — Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH SHIP FIRED ON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The British ship "Thorpe Hall" was fired on by insurgent warships yesterday after she had successfully run the blockade of Bilbao and was leaving for a French port.

Only bare details of the affair have been received here, the news being contained in a wireless S.O.S. from the steamer.

Since receipt of the first message nothing has been heard of the ship and some anxiety is being expressed as to her fate.

Another British steamer, the "Seven Seas Spray," has also succeeded in running the blockade and reached Bilbao yesterday.

The ship, which was carrying a large cargo of food supplies, had been held up for some time in the French harbour of St. Jean de Luz.

A Netherlands steamer which arrived in a French port yesterday was stopped by insurgent cruiser after she had left Bilbao with a cargo of iron ore.

The rebel commander, after examining the ship's papers and cargo, permitted the vessel to proceed.—Trans-Ocean.

Duke Of Connaught Indisposed.

London, To-day.

The Duke of Connaught, who is staying in Bournemouth, has been confined to his room for two or three days due to muscular weakness of the leg.

It is understood the trouble is not serious and his condition improved yesterday.—Reuter.

COLONY'S VITAL STATISTICS

Meningitis Still Serious

Five deaths from cerebro-spinal fever (meningitis) were reported to the Health Department last week, the official return showing that all cases of this disease were fatal.

Of five smallpox cases, four from Kowloon, three terminated fatally, while there were six diphtheria cases with three deaths, six typhoid cases and two deaths, and three dysentery cases, one death.

Three cases of chicken-pox and two of measles were reported, and there were 66 deaths attributed to tuberculosis.

The daily return issued yesterday showed three further cases of cerebro-spinal fever, three dysentery cases and one diphtheria case.

Chiang In Shanghai

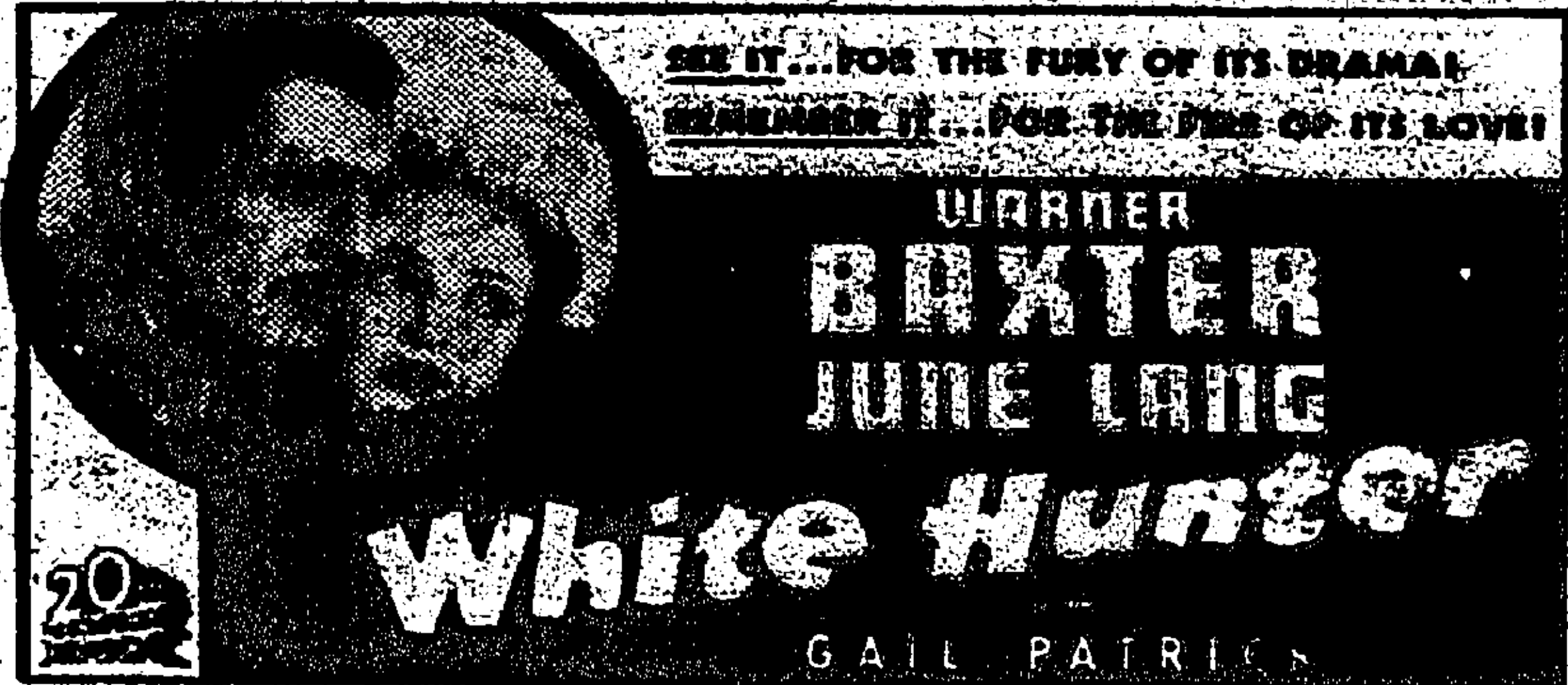
Shanghai, To-day.

On arriving at Shanghai from Hangchow, by air, with Madame Chiang yesterday morning, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek went to the Sun Yat-sen Hospital for treatment for his back ailment.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Taimoshan	3,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

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FIRST LORD'S REPLY TO LABOUR "SURRENDER" CRITIC

London, To-day.

The Government has failed to provide adequate naval protection for British shipping and by accepting the insurgent blockade, has acquiesced in an imposition allowing the starvation of women and children.

THIS WAS THE CONTENTION OF MR. A. V. ALEXANDER, LABOUR MEMBER FOR HILLSBOROUGH, WHO RAISED THE SUBJECT OF THE SITUATION IN BILBAO, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE BUDGET PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

MR. ALEXANDER REFUSED TO ACCEPT WITHOUT A GOOD DEAL MORE INFORMATION THAT THERE WAS AN EFFECTIVE INSURGENT BLOCKADE OF BILBAO.

Replying, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Samuel Hoare, stated that according to the Government's information, the insurgent blockade of Bilbao was effective.

There was a minefield outside the port while insurgent ships frequently ventured within the three-mile limit and fired on the forts without reply.

He emphasised that the Government had told General Franco that they would stand no interference with British shipping on the high seas, and that he would be held responsible for any damage in territorial waters.

NAVAL POLICY

The Government would follow the situation from day to day, and if they came to the view that the so-called blockade was not effective, they would be the first to accept the new situation.

British naval policy was protection of all British ships on the high seas.

They were not prepared to send British warships into territorial waters, not so much on account of the danger — great though it might be — as because they believed it would endanger the non-intervention agreement.

MAIN PRINCIPLE

Sir Samuel concluded that the Government believed a new chapter in the policy of non-intervention was beginning and it was therefore vitally important to throw no inflammable material into elements already sufficiently inflammable, and that in the spirit and the letter we should maintain non-intervention.—Reuter.

AIR MINISTRY AND DAIMLERS

The complete block of administrative offices, stores and service stations of the Daimler Company at Sandy-lane, Coventry, has, it was announced, been leased to the Air Ministry.

These works occupy an area of approximately 500,000 square feet, and include extensive covered factory space, which may be used for the accommodation of R.A.F. mechanical transport, and other equipment.

New blocks of offices and a service station for the Daimler Company are being erected adjoining the company's main works at Radford, Coventry.

The Sandy-lane works taken over by the Air Ministry will be close to the Government shadow factory, now nearing completion, and at which Daimler aero engine parts will be made under the Air Ministry's co-ordinated scheme.

Final Blow To The Old Locarno

London, To-day.

"Very little of the old Locarno Pact will remain after publication of the British and French Notes releasing Belgium from her obligations under that treaty."

So declares the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," in a review of the declarations from London and Paris which are expected to be made some time this week.

Above all, he states, Berlin will be relieved of her obligation to come to the assistance of any signatory State which is the victim of unprovoked attack.

Britain and France will presumably repeat the statements made some time ago by their respective Foreign Ministers that Belgium can rely on their active support in resisting any attempt to violate her integrity.—Trans-Ocean.

INK BATHS FOR PARIS RIOTERS

French Police Plan

Indelible ink may be used by the French police to spray on demonstrators. That is one of the suggestions which is being considered by a commission appointed as the result of the recent Clichy riots.

On that occasion several persons were killed and injured by the police as they tried to separate Fascists and Communists. A commission is now seeking substitutes for firearms to deal with hostile crowds.

The indelible ink would mark a demonstrator for several days. Other suggestions are tear-gas, portable barbed wire barricades and celluloid shot.

An important reform will be the increase of police officers. It is considered that with the present proportion of 29 police commissioners to 15,000 constables, the individual policeman has to rely too much on his own initiative.

A postcard from a civilian prisoner of war in Germany, posted to a Plymouth resident in May, 1917, and just delivered, apologised for "the post being very bad."

Medley By Ozo And His Boy Friends

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—A Concert.
1.30 p.m.—Renter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—German Music.
Wagner—
"Die Walkure"—Wotan's Farewell and Magic Fire Music....Rudolf Bockelmann (Bass-Baritone) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.
"Tristan and Isolde"—Full of Grace Lauritz Melchior (Tenor) and the London Symphony Orchestra.
Mozart—
"The Magic Flute"—Behold the golden sun.... Berlin Children's Mozart Choir.
Max Bruch—
Kol Nidrei—Op. 47, Gaspar Cassado (Cello).

Today's Wireless

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Beethoven—"Fidelio"—
Leonora's Aria—Abscheulicher, wo eilst du hin?
Frida Leider (Soprano).
Komm, O Hoffnung!
Frida Leider (Soprano).
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
"The Jolly Robbers"—Overture (Suppe).
"From Foreign Parts"—Hungarian Dance (Moszkowski, arr. Sommer).
Le Reve Passe (Krier & Helmer).
Kirkby Malzeard Sword Dance—Folk Dance (arr. Sharp).
Prairie Flower—March, Lynwood—March (Ord Nume).
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Jazz Medley by Ozo and His Boy Friends.
1. Japanese Sandman....Ensemble.
2. I'm an old Cowhand....Vocal.
3. Lover come back to me.

4. Blue Heaven Piano Solo.
5. (Selected) Ensemble.
6. Poor Butterfly Double Pianos.
7. Organ Grinder's Swing (By Request) Vocal.
8.30 p.m.—The London Symphony Orchestra.
Symphony No. 2 in B Minor (Borodin).
1st Movement—Allegro.
2nd Scherzo.
3rd Prestissimo and Allegretto.
4th Andante.
Overture in D Minor (Handel, arr. Elgar).
9 p.m.—London—"Shows in Rehearsal." A programme of extracts from a new London production before its first night. Introduced by its producer. (Electrical Recording).
9.30 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—A Recital by Richard Tauber (Tenor).
"Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo, arr. Weatherly).
Such a game.
Serenade.
Sleep Song.
"Heart's Desire"—All hope is ended.
I love the Moon (Rubens).
Melodie (Rubinstein & Bernhoff).
10.15 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
Variety and Dance Music.

Extracts From A London Show In Rehearsal

Vocal—
"On your toes"
There's a small Hotel,
Beba Daniels and Ben Lyon.
Fox-Trot—
Magnolia in the Moonlight,
Ted Eio Rito & His Orchestra.
Humorous—
Albert and the 'cadsman',
Stanley Holloway.
Piano Medley—
"On Your Toes" Vivian Ellis.
Fox-Trot—
One, Two, Button your Shoe,
Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra.
Vocal—
Happy go lucky Carson Robison.
The skeleton in the Cupboard.
Fox-Trot—
Teddy Foster & His Kings
of Swing.
Vocal—
Baby, whatcha gonna do to-night?
Lilli Palmer.
Fox-Trot—
Cowboy
Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
Organ Solo—
In the Chapel in the Moonlight,
Reginald Foort.
Vocal—
Impshe Max Miller (Comedian).
Fox-Trot—
Doing the Yeom Voom,
Duke Ellington & His Orchestra.
Waltz—
Oh, Mr. Man in the Moon,
Henry Jacques with His Correct
Dance Tempo Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Two For One

Every player knows the deadly efficiency of a crossruff under the proper conditions. It should be a matter of simple logic, then, for the defenders to bend every effort toward breaking up this type of play by leading trumps. As a theory such defence is well known, but in practice it would appear that players cannot always bring themselves to part with their trumps, particularly when they are on equal trump terms with declarer himself. They seem to feel that each of their trumps is a potential trick, quite disregarding the fact that they may be able to drop two of declarer's trumps (one from his hand, one from dummy) at the cost of only one of their own. Trump leads at the crucial point would have defeated the game contract in to-day's hand.

South, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S—10 7 6 2
H—10 7 6 2
D—9
C—A K 7 6

WEST

S—K 9 5 4
H—A Q 8
D—8 7 4
C—Q 9 2

EAST

S—8
H—J 6 5
D—Q J 10 3 2
C—J 5 4 3

SOUTH

S—A Q J 3
H—10 4 3
D—A K 6 3
C—10 8

The bidding:

	South	West	North	East
1 spade	Pass	3 spades	Pass	
4 spades	Pass	Pass	Pass	

West opened his middle diamond and East's ten went to declarer's ace. Declarer now led a club to dummy's ace and returned a trump, finessing the jack. In order to keep declarer in the dark as to the spade distribution and to induce

another attempt to finesse, West correctly played low to this trick. Declarer now used dummy's other club honour as an entry for the lead of another spade. When East showed out the ace was played, and then, probably with the feeling that he would need a good deal of luck to fulfill the contract, declarer led a heart toward dummy's king.

At this point West played as badly as he had previously played well. He should have jumped up with the ace and planked down the king and another spade. He allowed himself to be misled, however, by the superficial reasoning that, if he put up the ace, dummy's long heart might be established. It should have been apparent that this could not happen. Two additional spade lead would take all of declarer's and all of dummy's trumps and would leave the declarer completely unprotected in the club suit.

As played, the heart king won the trick, and now a club was led and ruffed with declarer's small spade. The diamond king was cashed and a heart discarded; then another diamond led and ruffed with dummy's low trump. Now, with only the ten of spades, two hearts, and one club left in dummy, and the queen of spades, two hearts, and a diamond in declarer's hand, declarer had only one more trick to win in order to fulfill his contract. This was, of course, easy. He led dummy's last club and ruffed with the spade queen, and West was "stuck." If he overruffed, dummy's spade ten would produce the last trick and, if he did not both the queen and ten would be bound to make.

He West put up his heart ace and stopped the crossruff the contract inevitably would have been defeated.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Is it good bidding to rebid this suit, A K Q J, regardless of whether partner has supported it?

Answer: No. A four card suit, however solid, should not be rebid unless partner has supported it.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Man of the People", with Joseph Calleia, Florence Rice, Jane Barnes and Ted Healey. A novel story depicting the uphill fight of an attorney.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"White Hunter", with Warner Baxter and June Lang in a thrilling story of two people amid the menace of savage passions.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Lady from Nowhere", with Mary Astor, and Charles Quigley, a new-comer to the screen. Blending comedy and melodrama in large proportions this picture presents Mary Astor in one of the amusing and entertaining screen-plays in which she has appeared.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Stand up and Cheer", with Shirley Temple and John Boles. Shirley and John Boles sing six established hits.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Hearts Divided", with Marion Davies, Dick Powell, Claude Rains, Charles Ruggles, and Edward Everett Horton. Prince Jerome Bonaparte defies his brother, the Emperor Napoleon, for the love of his Baltimore sweetheart, Betty Patterson.

AT THE STAR—"Half Angel", with Frances Dee, Brian Donlevy and Charles Butterworth. Hilarious situations and sparkling dialogue vie with exciting episodes, unusual romance and adventures.

COMING PICTURES

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"Under Cover of Night" with Edmund Lowe, Florence Rice, Sarah Haden and Nat Pendleton. One of the most unique mystery stories to reach the screen. The story is placed in a great College with a background of science for the mysterious crimes. This is unusual and stirs the interest from the start with Lowe as the sleuth. Coming to the King's.

"Mind Your Own Business"—With Charles Ruggles, Alice Brady, Lyle Talbot, Benny Baker and Frankie Darro. The tale of a nature writer who has bees in his bonnet as well as his column and a wife who gets him into a tangle that it takes a general alarm to unravel. Coming to the Queen's.

"Banjo on My Knee"—With Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea, Helen Westley, Buddy Ebsen, Walter Catlett, Katherine de Milla and Anthony Martin. A thrill musical, depicting the tragic-comedy that is the life story of the river-boat people on the Mississippi. Coming to the Queen's.

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Midge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.



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THE "NO SHOCKS" BUDGET

Tax On Rising Profits As Defence Contribution

Income Tax Raised To Five Shillings In The Pound

MR. CHAMBERLAIN RELIES UPON REVENUE BUOYANCY

Surprising all the prophets, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced only one new form of taxation — and that no-one had predicted—when he introduced his sixth, and probably last, Budget in the House of Commons yesterday.

THE ONLY NEW SOURCES OF REVENUE ARE: AN INCREASE OF THREE-PENCE IN THE INCOME TAX (WHICH IS THEREBY RAISED TO 5/- FROM 4/9), WHICH IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE AN ADDITIONAL £13,000,000 A YEAR, AND

A "GROWTH OF PROFIT TAX," APPLICABLE TO ALL PERSONS ENGAGED IN INDUSTRY, TRADE AND BUSINESS WHOSE PROFITS EXCEED £2,000 A YEAR. THIS TAX IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE £2,000,000 THIS YEAR AND FROM £20,000,000 TO £25,000,000 IN A FULL YEAR.

The estimated revenue available on the existing basis of taxation, the Chancellor said was £847,950,000 (compared with £832,000,000 in 1936), which in view of the estimated expenditure of over £862,000,000 left a deficit of £14,898,000 to be met by providing other sources of revenue.

Measures for tightening up revenue collection were also planned.

The Chancellor announced the abolition of the Male Servants Tax; abolition of one-man companies for the purpose of evasion of income tax and prohibition so-called "share washing" for a similar purpose.

Arriving at a new trade agreement with Canada, resolutions would be introduced applying the Ottawa Agreement to the agreement revising preferential duties on certain Empire produced silk stockings.

NEW TAX

The Chancellor announced the new Growth of Profits Tax as applicable to all persons engaged in industry, trade and business whose profits exceed £2,000 a year.

The extra three-pence on income tax would produce £13,000,000, reducing the deficit to under £2,000,000.

The new Growth of Profits Tax was exceedingly complicated, varying from one-fifth to one third of the growth of profits.

Losses in the last four years would be taken into account, said Mr. Chamberlain, and described the tax as a special temporary contribution towards national defence.

He estimated the tax would produce £2,000,000 this year and from £20,000,000 to £25,000,000 in a full year.

The basis of the new tax would be either actual profits in certain specified years or percentage of the capital employed, amounting to 6 per cent. in the case of companies and 8 per cent. in the case of individuals or firms.

LABOUR ENTHUSIASTIC

Details of the new Growth of Profits Tax were received with loud

cheering from the Labour benches. The Chancellor explained the principle would be the same whether the capital standard or profit standard was adopted.

Actual rates would be:

No tax on profits up to 6 per cent. A tax of one-fifth of the growth of profits between six and 10 per cent.

A tax of one-quarter on profits increased by 10 to 15 per cent., and A tax of one-third on the growth of profits by over 15 per cent.

There was no further new taxation and he estimated the surplus at £250,000.

COMMONS CROWDED

The House of Commons was crowded long before the commencement of business. The galleries reserved for peers, ambassadors, distinguished strangers, including the high commissioners of the Dominions, and the public were quickly filled.

Besides Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Premier, there were present three former Chancellors of the Exchequer: Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. David Lloyd-George and Sir Robert Horne.

Mr. Chamberlain was loudly cheered when he entered the House at 3.42. Reviewing the past year he said that last year, this year and for several years to come the national finances must continue to be dominated by the vast defence expenditure.

TRUE SURPLUS

Mr. Chamberlain revealed that the realised budget deficit was £5,597,000, including the amount for the redemption of debt. But for the defence expenditure, there would have been a large surplus after a debt redemption of £13,000,000. The true surplus for the current year of revenue over expenditure, excluding debt redemption, was £10,500,000.

Inland revenue, customs and excise duties realised up to expectation. The latter yielded £14,500,000 over the estimate but the income tax, surtax and death duties were £5,500,000 under the estimate. Stamp duties, which, the Chancellor described as a sort of trade baro-



MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN

meter reached the gratifying total of over £29,000,000.

BUOYANT REVENUES

Buoyant revenues, he said, were the product of expanding trade and increasing purchasing power. The exchange equalisation account still showed a profit and he proposed to adhere to the old figure of £224,000,000 as the fixed debt charge.

He explained that although there was a saving on the civil estimates, the defence estimates showed an excess of nearly £3,000,000, the total defence issues being £186,000,000, nearly £50,000,000 over the previous year, which figure gave an idea of the amount which would be available for redemption of debt and other purposes if circumstances in the world had been happier.

Mr. Chamberlain proposed not to include the deficit in this year's accounts but to ask for legislative relief as in 1931-3.

HEAVY ROAD EXPENSE

Estimated expenditure on roads last year amounted to nearly £25,000,000, and for the current year it would be £28,500,000. Civil estimates amounted to £419,000,000, and the defence to £198,000,000 to which must be added £10,000,000 for the civil supplementary estimates.

The defence figure excluded £80,000,000 which could be borrowed. The debt charge of £224,000,000 brought the total expenditure to £862,848,000.

Mr. Chamberlain said he anticipated that favourable economic conditions would continue this year and be further reinforced by the Coronation activities. He anticipated an increase in customs and excise duties of over £12,000,000 and also an appreciable increase in income tax, death duties, surtax, oil, tobacco, beef, veal and other taxes.

New taxation, however, was unavoidable but the taxpayers' new contributions would provide an ever quickening approach to the goal of safety.

STEADYING EFFECT

In the concluding passages of his statement, Mr. Chamberlain addressed himself to the question of the country's ability to carry the vast burden which the pressure of rearmament imposed and he expressed confidence in the continued expansion of revenue, corresponding with an orderly and regular advance of general prosperity. A great world disturbance might disappoint that expectation but His Majesty's government would continue to use their power and influence to avoid such disaster. He

CHANCELLOR ON JEREMIAHS

claimed his proposals were well designed to exercise a steadying effect in the present phase of recovery. He had avoided, on the one hand, a large increase in taxation which would have been necessitated by attempting to defray, without borrowing, the full cost of rearmament and which would have checked and perhaps even reversed the economic revival.

On the other hand, he had increased taxation with a careful choice of methods and to such an extent as in his judgment would discourage the development of unhealthy and feverish speculation without imperilling or even seriously retarding the present upward trend of the national welfare.

CORONATION TO AID

In estimating expenditure, the Chancellor had kept the fixed debt charge at £224,000,000. Total expenditure he put at £862,848,000.

Turning to the prospective yield of taxation, he anticipated that the economic conditions which had given such favourable results last year would continue and be reinforced by the festivities in connection with the Coronation.

Among minor adjustments to the Budget, the abolition of the Male Servants Tax is interesting as it dates from the 18th century.

"JEREMIAHS"

Mr. Chamberlain declared that some Jeremiahs doubted our ability to carry the vast armaments burden without wilting under the strain.

The strain had fallen at a time when our credit was exceptionally high and revenue was expanding.

There were only two contingencies which might disappoint expectations of expanding revenue.

One would be some great world disturbance outside our control, which sooner or later involved us in its vortex.

The other danger might arise from too reckless expenditure upon objects not vitally necessary.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech lasted for an hour and 35 minutes.

The House of Commons adopted all the Budget resolutions and the debate on the Budget was adjourned until to-day.—Reuter.

PRESERVING BALANCE

Discussing income tax, he said he noted that two ex-Chancellors, in recent speeches, had approved in anticipation, an increase of 3d in the rate of the tax bringing it to the round figure of 5s. in the pound. He could not resist, he observed amidst laughter, such overwhelming authority. That increase would reduce his prospective deficit to £1,748,000.

Reminding the House of the Balance which the Government had already indicated it desired to see preserved between borrowing and raising by taxation the large additional sums required in the years ahead for defence expenditure, and therefore of the longer view than usual which he, as Chancellor, had had to take in this Budget to obviate repeated changes in taxation, Mr. Chamberlain described his search for a device capable of growth but which would not bear unfairly on

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LANSBURY-HITLER PEACE GESTURE

CITY COMPLACENT OVER BUDGET COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE

London, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's swan song as Chancellor of the Exchequer is generally acclaimed in City circles as sound and devoid of fireworks. The increase in the income tax is fully discounted.

ATTENTION IS FOCUSED ON RESUSCITATION OF THE EXCESS PROFITS TAX UNDER THE NAME OF "GROWTH OF PROFITS TAX."

WHILE IT IS TOO EARLY TO REALISE THE FULL IMPLICATIONS OF THIS, THE INCIDENCE OF THE NEW TAXATION, THOUGH GENERALLY UNEXPECTED, HAS FAILED TO DEPRESS INDUSTRIAL SHARES WHICH IN STREET DEALINGS CONTINUED THEIR UPWARD TREND.

THE MEASURE, ON THE WHOLE, IS CONSIDERED EQUITABLE AND IT IS POINTED OUT THAT SINCE THE ESTIMATED YIELD FROM THIS TAX IS \$25,000,000 FOR A WHOLE YEAR, IT IS PREFERABLE TO A STEEPER RISE IN INCOME TAX.

AMERICA'S BUDGET DEFICIT

Washington, To-day.

Revised Budget estimates given by President Roosevelt in a message to Congress yesterday show a net deficit for the present fiscal year ending June 30 of \$2,557,000,000.

This is an increase of \$309,000,000 over the original estimate.

To meet the deficit, the President suggests reduction in expenditure of Government departments and liquidation of assets of certain emergency agencies.

The Chief Executive estimates that expenditure in 1938 will decrease by \$457,000,000 and receipts will increase by \$1,632,000,000, making an estimated deficit for the coming year of \$418,000,000.—Reuter.

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the various classes upon whom the burden of his other increases last year and this had fallen, and said it had seemed not unreasonable to him that the growth in business profits should be made the occasion of some special and temporary contribution towards cost of national defence.

PURCHASING POWER

Examining the outturn of the last Budget, the chancellor said that the total realised revenue at \$797,289,000 was a little less than Budget estimate but showed an increase of \$44,369,000 over the previous year. The total revenue from income tax, surtax and death duties together fell short of his expectations but on other hand Stamp Duties yielded two millions more than estimated at the record figure of \$29,140,000 reflecting the activity in the Stock Exchange. He considered the results as extremely satisfactory and reflecting the expansion of trade and the increase in the purchasing power of the people.

A Chinese boy, Yuen Hing-kwong, aged 10, was bitten by a dog in Woo Sung Street yesterday and was later treated at the G.C.H.

The opinion is held that the Growth of Profits Tax may induce holders of shares in British holding companies controlling non-British subsidiaries to swap the parent shares for subsidiaries.

The Budget clarifies the monetary policy as Mr. Chamberlain, by estimating higher yields from taxation, implies an intention not to impede the inflationary trend caused by the cheap money policy.

At the same time, the Growth of Profits Tax provides Government machinery by which companies will be induced to divert a larger share of their revenue to labour, thus diminishing the danger of labour disturbances.

It remains to be seen whether the companies, in order to avoid the tax burden, will decide to register abroad.

OIL SHARES RISE

Oil shares, after pre-Budget quietude, sharply recovered as fears of new taxation failed to materialise.

Most of the commodity markets were too busy to take notice of the Budget, announcement of which coincided with revival of the American gold scare and it subsequent speedy denial, which it is hoped has finally laid this bogey.

Base metals were among the first to respond with higher prices, while tea circles are cheered by the absence of fresh taxation.—Reuter.

General Motors' Strike

Oshawa, To-day.

Return of the General Motors strikers to work pending final settlement of the dispute will be discussed at a conference to-day between Company officials and members of the strike committee.—Reuter.

PAUL McNUTT DELAYED

Shanghai, To-day.

The "President Hoover," carrying Mr. Paul McNutt, new American High Commissioner in the Philippines, his wife and daughter, has been delayed by fog.

Scheduled to arrive in Shanghai this morning, the liner is now not expected till this evening.—Reuter.

France Gratified By Announcement

Paris, To-day.

"The first step in Germany's new diplomatic initiative" is how the newspaper "L'Oeuvre" describes the conversations in Berlin between Herr Hitler and the British Labour leader, Mr. George Lansbury.

THE PAPER SAYS THAT RENEWAL OF GERMAN DIPLOMATIC INFLUENCE HAS BEEN EXPECTED BY FOREIGN POLITICAL OBSERVERS FOR SOME TIME.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HERR HITLER'S STATEMENT TO MR. LANSBURY SHOULD NOT BE UNDER-ESTIMATED, THE JOURNAL DECLARES.

"Le Petit Parisien" likewise sees in the conversation a gesture towards new developments in pursuance of the declarations made by the Reichsbank President (Dr. Schacht) at Brussels.

"Echo de Paris" points to the close connections between political and economic questions, and says that the first condition for restoration of normal trade relations would be that Germany keeps her current engagements. This is only possible if long-term credits are granted her.

GUARANTEES WANTED

In return for credits, the paper suggests, Germany should give a guarantee that the peace of Europe will not be disturbed.

"Le Journal" recalls that Mr. Lansbury, before visiting Herr Hitler, approached the French and Belgian Premiers in similar fashion.—Trans-Ocean.

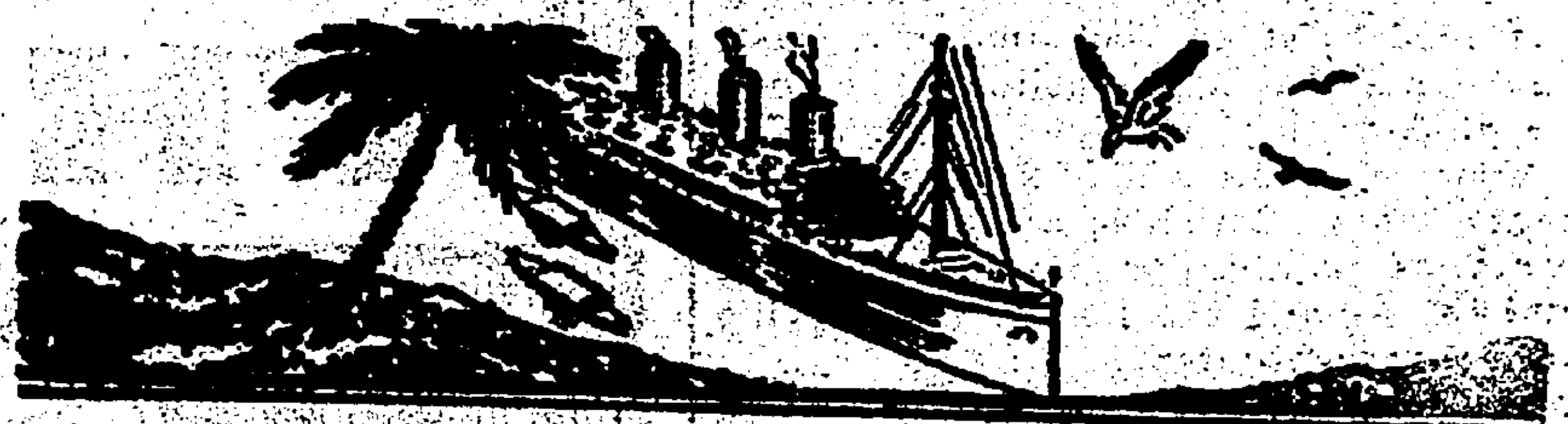
Tigris Overflows: Big Area Flooded

Baghdad, To-day.

The waters of the upper reaches of the Tigris River have overflowed their banks, inundating an area of 200 square miles.

Crops have been damaged and a number of villages destroyed. Baghdad itself is not threatened at present.—Reuter.

Mr. Sullivan, of No. 3, Devon Road, reports that his son, Graham, aged 8, was bitten by Mr. Gittins' dog in Suffolk Road yesterday. The dog was sent to Mataukok, and the boy treated at the Kowloon Hospital.



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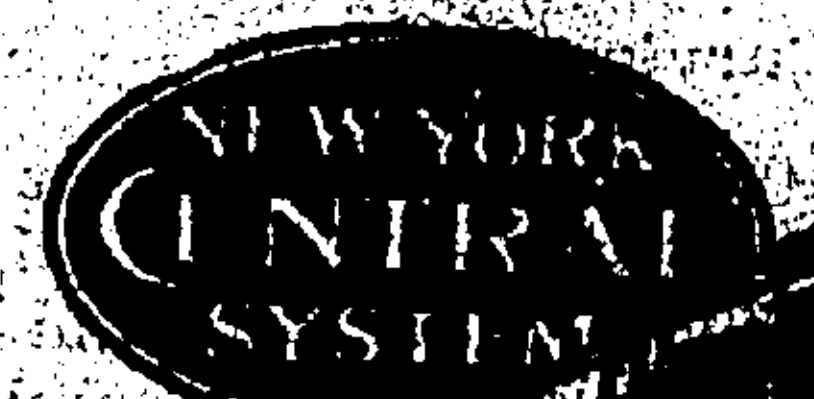
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CREATING A NEW STANDARD OF SHOE BEAUTY

Demand for Good Designs on Natural Lines

ONE of the less observed features of feminine dress is the increasing attention directed to the feet and footwear. A small and well-shaped foot has always been considered a thing of beauty, but only recently has it been realised how much depends on the cut of a shoe, or that symmetry of outline can be achieved best by foot freedom.

Now that the cult of beauty and physical fitness is sweeping every phase of society, it is acknowledged that not only do correct poise and carriage depend on being well and comfortably shod, but that nervous ailments and undue fatigue are attributable directly to foot troubles. In response to the demand foot health centres are springing up everywhere and most smart shops have foot specialists in attendance to advise customers on the type of shoe best suited to them.

In the past, woman's vanity has been pandered to by very high heels and stubbed toes in order that the effect of a small foot might be given. Feet have been crammed into shoes far too tight for their size. As a result any foot surgeon can tell a sad tale of misshapen ones with which he is asked to deal and of grave injury to health and balance caused by walking shot forward on high pointed heels of too small shoes, which have caused their wearers to become flat-footed or pigeon-toed.

Foot Study

Modern woman has now taken things into her own hands and a new era of shoe beauty has been opened up. Shoemakers have been forced to study foot anatomy. Lasts are made on the outline of a footprint, with a straight line running from the inner side of the heel to the toe — which is not now twisted into a point at an angle from the joint — and the line of the curving arch accentuated.

Following the American tradition, many fittings are made in each size so that ready-made shoes are procurable in great variety. In addition shoe design has entered new fields of beauty, colour and quality, as exemplified by models shown in a recent shoe exhibition, where ingenuity of design and good taste combined to give shoes whose ideal was to show the natural beauty of the foot on healthy, hygienic lines.

The bare foot clad in summer sandals has been another means of creating a desire for foot beauty and has led to the fashion of the evening sandal for the ball room. No longer is it considered indelicate to possess toes and pedicurists are busy putting red lacquer on the toenails of their fashionable clientele. Massage is indulged in to slim the ankles and exercises recommended to improve their shape.

Curving Arches

One has only to study the feet of Greek statuary to see how beautiful the natural lines of the foot can be with its delicately curving arches and symmetry of the toes. Yet this has been mutilated and crushed in recent years by following queer ideas as to their shape.

Curiously the emancipation of women first heralded a new foot freedom, when the square-toed, low-heeled shoes were worn by pioneers in the movement. Undoubtedly, we also owe much to the American woman, who is the possessor of the most perfect foot and takes the greatest care of it, insisting on shoes cut on natural yet beautiful lines.

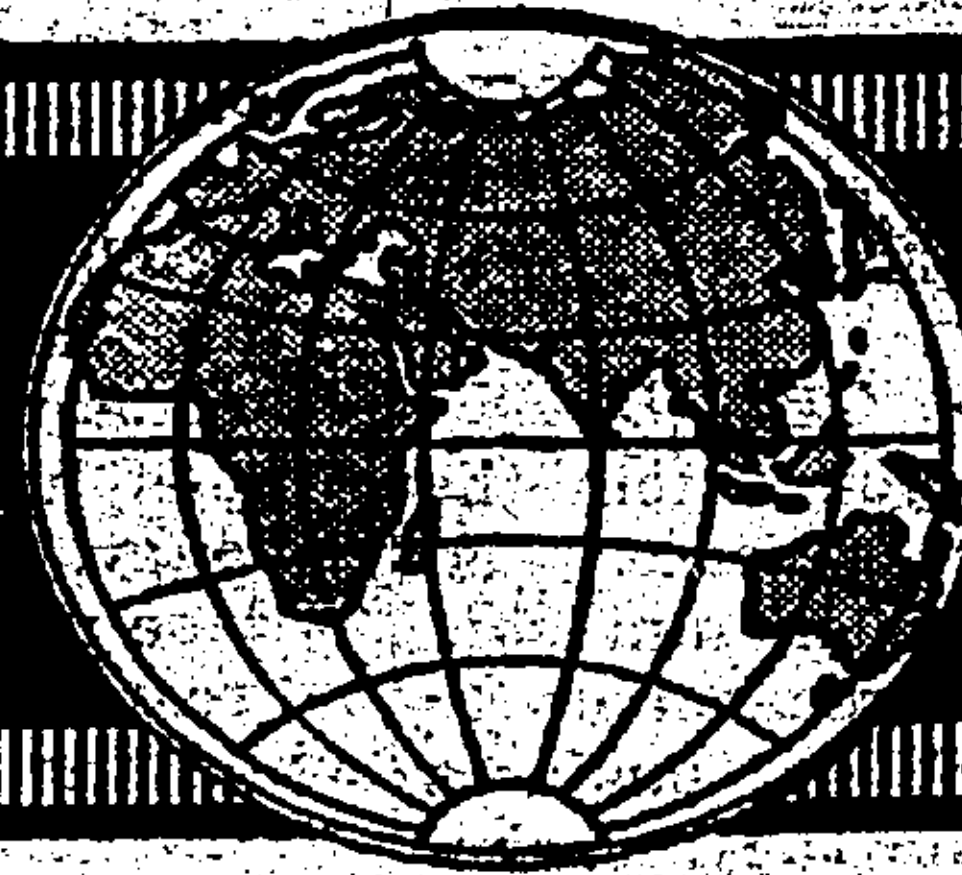
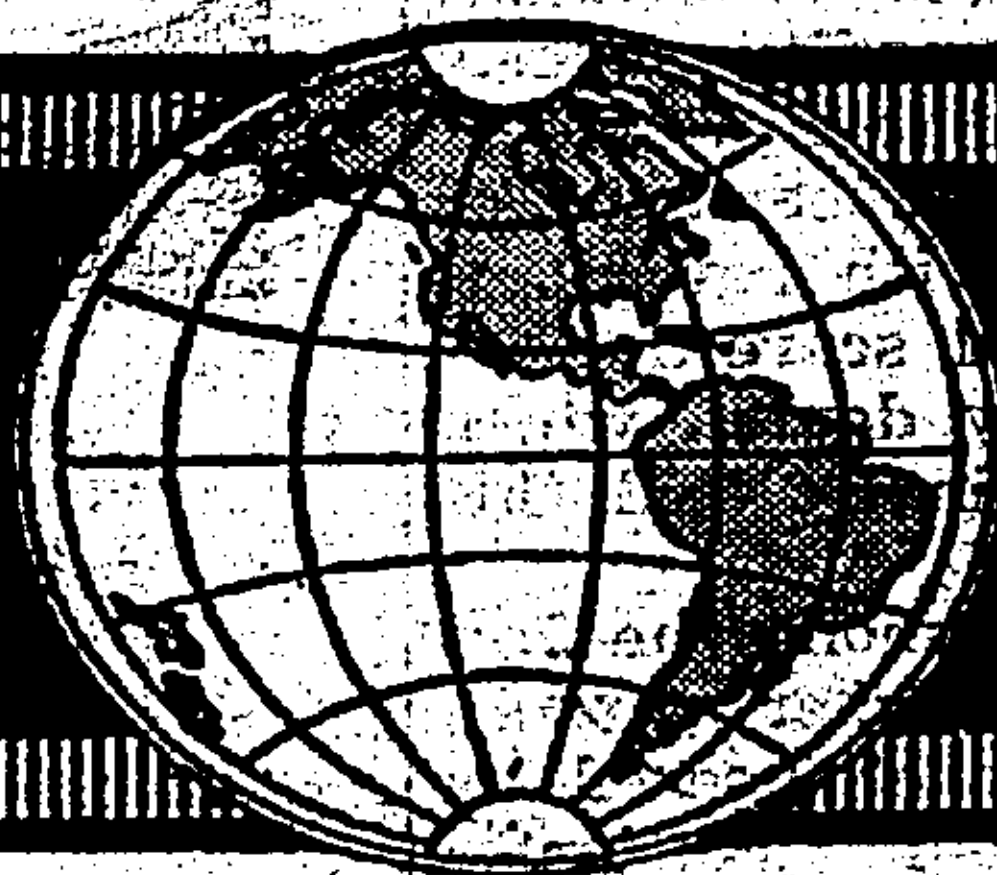
The modern child now has footwear specially made to the natural shape, while any growing fault is remedied by special attention. Bent ankles are straightened, and flat feet, a frequent failing taken in hand early. Dancing is one of the most pleasant remedial methods of improving and strengthening the feet and has no doubt helped the outline of the modern foot.

Shoes are now regarded not merely as accessories, but often by their colour, shape and design give the final touch of smartness to a costume. In bright, contrasting colours which match gloves, belt, bag or flowers, they are brought into prominence, while constantly changing designs create fashions in footwear which promise to be as variable and inconstant as those of hats and worthy of equal attention.



This costume is in the front of the modish style parade. It is of knitwear, more popular than ever for the many new designs that have been created. The waist has a high bow-tie neck surmounting a lacy coloured front trimmed with hand-drawn two-tone spaghetti.

TO-DAY In Every City on THE GLOBE



Some are enjoying perfect health—others are in hospitals fighting for life. Millions start off in the morning feeling fit and bright but without the slightest warning there comes an attack of pain in the form of Headaches, Neuralgia, Nerviness, etc. Cold and 'Flu' infection is as sudden as an accident. For these ailments the popular world-wide medicine is 'ASPRO'. Its success is due to relief results that are quickly proved, and the fact that 'ASPRO' is safe, because it does not harm the heart or have any injurious after-effects. Always use 'ASPRO' according to the directions to relieve Pain and Headaches, Colds, 'Flu' and Rheumatism.

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BASQUE FRONT OFFENSIVE

General Mola's Troops Make Big Advance

Hendaye, To-day.

General Mola resumed his offensive against Bilbao early yesterday morning.

THE OPERATIONS STARTED WITH AN INTENSE BOMBARDMENT OF THE BASQUE TRENCHES, WHICH LASTED UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK, WHEN THE FIRST WAVE OF ATTACKING INFANTRY WENT OVER THE TOP.

THREE SQUADRONS OF AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED THE GROUND FIGHTERS, SWOOPING DOWN AND RAKING THE LOYALIST TRENCHES WITH MACHINE-GUN FIRE.

THE INSURGENTS CLAIM TO HAVE PUSHED FORWARD THEIR FRONT OF ABOUT TWO MILES FOR A DISTANCE OF 400 YARDS.

The Madrid Defence Council announces further Government successes on the Teruel front, where it is reported that the insurgents have lost heavily.

The Republican advance on the Cordova front continues, several vantage points in the neighbourhood of Mount Signoma having been captured by the Republicans at the point of the bayonet.

REBELS ABANDON MONAL

The insurgents have been forced to evacuate the town of Monal, in Asturias, while rebel headquarters near Grado were destroyed by Republican artillery.

Three Republican planes, a communicative claims, were intercepted by 19 insurgent fighters while on the way back to Madrid after a bombing raid.

Showing greater speed and manoeuvrability, the loyalist planes succeeded in returning to the aerodrome after bringing down two insurgent machines.—Trans-Ocean.

BOY TO BLAME FOR HOLOCAUST

Village Fire Disaster Investigation

Erfurt, To-day.

The fire which last week completely destroyed the village of Krenzbra, in Thuringia, was started by a mischievous small boy, according to the police investigation.

The blaze razed the entire village to the ground while the men were at work in the fields.—Trans-Ocean.

DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

Meeting Likely To Be Postponed

Geneva, To-day.

The meeting of the presidium of the League Disarmament Commission, which was originally scheduled for May 6, will probably be postponed till the end of May.

The postponement is due to the fact that the vice-president of the commission, M. Politis (Greece) and the deputy secretary, General Eghnides, will at the time probably still be attending the Montreux Conference for the abolition of capitulations in Egypt.

A committee of 28 will be convened during the session of the League Council to discuss reform of the League.—Trans-Ocean.

ABUSE OF HOSPITALITY

Good Time On Robbery Proceeds

Kan Tat-ting, unemployed aged 19, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy when he pleaded guilty to the theft of an attache case containing articles of clothing and money to the extent of \$737 from Yuen Chan, a travelling agent at No. 97, Connaught Road West on April 4.

Detective-Sergeant Mottram said that the defendant arrived in the Colony on April 4 and went to see his clansman, Kam Pak, at the Ping On Steamship Co. He was given permission to stay the night there. At 11 p.m. the same night the complainant arrived from Saigon and slept in the rear cubicle leaving his attache case on the table. At two in the morning the case was still there but when the complainant awoke in the morning it had gone and so had the defendant.

The matter was reported to the Police and the defendant was traced to a house in Kowloon City. Questioned, he admitted the theft. On the night of the theft defendant stayed at a boarding house where he made the acquaintance of a girl, and for some time had a good time showering her with jewellery. He had taken her to Canton and introduced her to his mother as his prospective wife but something happened and the girl returned to Hong Kong.

Defendant had only \$10 on him when arrested and said that he had lost over \$300 in gambling. The girl was willing to return the jewellery that had been given her.

Belgian Cabinet Change

Brussels, To-day.

The Leader of the Belgian Liberal Party, M. Victor de Laveléye, has accepted an offer to enter the Van Zeeland Cabinet as Minister of Justice.

He succeeds M. Francois Boesse, who has been appointed governor of the province of Namur.

The Minister is not a member of Parliament.—Trans-Ocean.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Honolulu, Japan ports and Shanghai, on Saturday and is due at Hong Kong on May 7.

CONTROL PLAN IN OPERATION

VALENCIA GOVERNMENT GIVES SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Gibraltar, To-day.

The control of the Spanish land and sea frontiers went into operation punctually at midnight on Monday.

THE COMMISSION UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF A TURKISH OFFICER, CAPTAIN DEGADA, WHICH HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE FRONTIER BETWEEN GIBRALTAR AND SPAIN, TOOK UP THEIR POSTS IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT THE HUGH IRON GATES BETWEEN THE FORTRESS AND THE SPANISH TOWN OF LALINEA WERE CLOSED AND BOLTED.

FOUR BRITISH DESTROYERS, ANTELOPE, ARROW, ACASTA AND VANOC, PUT OUT TO SEA SEVERAL HOURS EARLIER TO TAKE UP PATROL DUTIES BETWEEN THE PORTUGUESE FRONTIER AND ALMERIA.

Meanwhile the first ship inspected at a British port arrived at Dover shortly after midnight. The name of the ship is unknown as she remained outside the breakwater.

It seems that a high degree of secrecy is to be maintained by the control officers, as the control officials at Dover have refused to give the press any information.—Trans-Ocean.

Valencia Attitude

Paris, To-day.

"The decisions of the non-intervention committee are contrary to the principles of International Law," declares the Valencia Government in an official statement, "since they place the lawful Government of Spain on the same footing as the insurgents."

This declaration is contained in a statement concerning the instructions which have been issued to the Spanish Republican naval and air forces by the non-intervention committee with regard to the attitude to be observed by them towards the international control scheme.

The declaration goes on to complain that experience has shown that the insurgents obtain all necessary supplies from countries which have signed the non-intervention pact.

PROTECTION TO SHIPS

The instructions to the Republican forces enjoin them to afford such protection as is possible to Spanish loyalist ships, so as to prevent them being held up or forced to alter their course. This protection should be given irrespective of the nature of the cargoes on board.

Any foreign vessel requesting assistance must, according to the instructions, be similarly protected, and special attention must be paid in this respect to shipping in the Mediterranean.

DIFFERENTIATION

The Valencia Government declares in conclusion that from the viewpoint of Spain's freedom and independence, it is necessary to differentiate between Britain and France, on the one hand, and Germany and Italy on the other.—Trans-Ocean.

Sofia, To-day.

The Turkish Premier and Foreign Minister, who have been on a visit to Yugo-Slavia, arrived in the Bulgarian capital yesterday.

After being received in audience by King Boris, they will continue to Ankara.—Trans-Ocean.

AIR RAID ON BILBAO: TEN KILLED

Bilbao, To-day.

An air raid on Bilbao by insurgent planes yesterday morning resulted in a death-roll of ten and a number of injured.

Quiet conditions prevailed on the land fronts, the Government troops claiming an advance against the rebels in the Teruel sector.

In Salamanca General Franco has issued a decree amalgamating all political parties and has appointed himself chief.

Dissolution of the different groups and forming them under one party is expected to strengthen the government.—Reuter.

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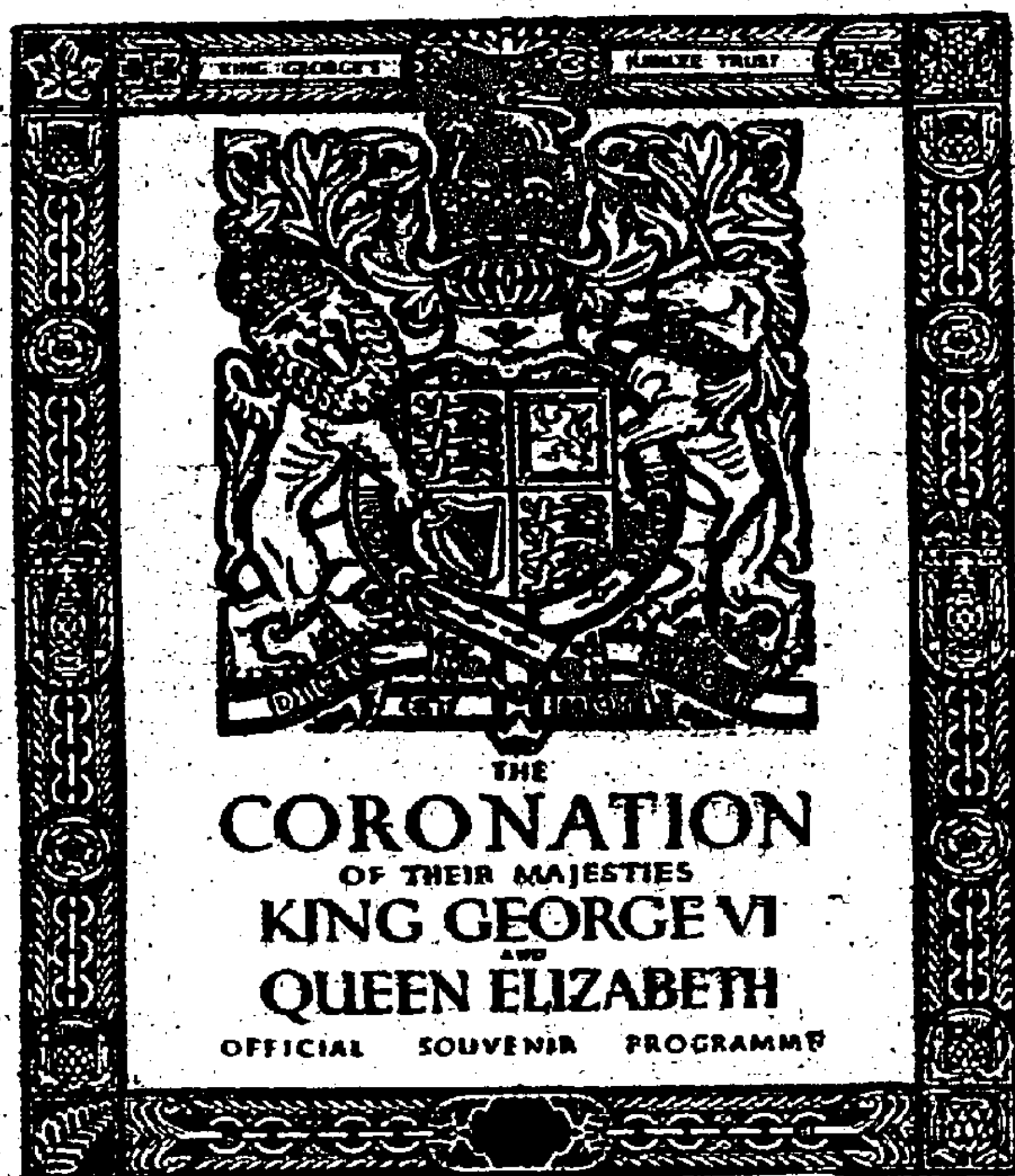
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MR. LANSBURY'S BID FOR PEACE

Mr. Lansbury has been to Berlin, has discussed the menaces to world peace with Herr Hitler, and has obtained an assurance that Germany is ready to attend a conference and participate in a united effort for the establishment of economic co-operation and mutual understanding between the nations of the world, if President Roosevelt or the head of another great country will take the lead in calling such a conference. These are sound sentiments, encouragingly expressed, and it would be nice to feel that there is a satisfactory answer to the immediate question, Where do we proceed from this point? For President Roosevelt has made it plain that he will not commit himself to crusading without strong prior indications of success. Furthermore, in view of the tendency to suggest that the Fuehrer gave his assurance with mental reservations as to the meaning to be attached, it would be as well for other countries vitally concerned to give earnest consideration to what they also mean by "economic co-operation" and "united effort." There is too great an eagerness to attribute blame for the world crisis of today. There is little readiness to analyse what is meant by "satisfied" and "dissatisfied" nations.

Britain is now a satisfied nation, but she has no right to be a self-satisfied nation. We want nothing because we have everything, but we can claim no moral superiority for that reason. Even our boasted tolerance and democratic spirit may be more closely bound to wealth than we would like to think; for the rich, virtue is always easy. In the past we acquired a great empire by force and the threat of force; to-day we deplore such methods in others, deplore it even in ourselves, but do not offer to share the booty. It is as if a successful gambler were to rise with his winnings from the table and say to his fellows: "Not only do I intend to stop playing but from now on gambling will be considered highly immoral. I will, however, keep my winning."

As a change from this attitude it is salutary to read "The Alternative to War," by Mr. C. Roden Buxton (published by Allen and Unwin). For those who refuse to believe that the dissatisfied Powers can have any grievances Mr. Buxton has some telling words:

If they have no real grievances, there is no possible answer to this question except one—a double dose of Original Sin. Is it not, however, a priori improbable that three particular States, among the sixty States of

the world, should be morally the inferior of the rest? Is it not still more incredible that certain other States should have passed from the inferior to the superior morality at certain times in their history—America since 1812, France since 1808, Russia since 1834?

He himself has no doubt of the truth, and, though perhaps he minimises the psychological element in human affairs, he is surely right in thinking that so long as these grievances exist it is our duty to try to rectify them. In fact, the grievances are well known and generally admitted, though one may dispute as to how far any one of them is important. Yet what have we done to alleviate them since 1919? Mr. Buxton points out that every conference and most statesmen agree that a reduction of tariff barriers is one of the primary conditions of world prosperity, yet what has been the contribution of the British Government? The Ottawa Agreements. Japan and Italy demand an outlet for population, and the United States and the British Dominions shut their doors. It is true that no grievance justifies resort to force, but the only alternative we have to offer is that these unfortunate countries should be content with a lower standard of living. Yet we ourselves treasure our luxury to such an extent that we are not prepared to lower one tariff or change one colony into a mandate. A majority of the people in the Empire are ready to sacrifice their lives for peace, if they are told that fighting will bring peace; how many are ready to sacrifice a little of their comforts?

The usual answer is to say that it is now too late; that one cannot make concessions to Hitler and Mussolini; that nothing will satisfy them now. Mr. Buxton justly refutes this strange argument that it can be too late to do what is still right. But is it too late? There are two ways of making concessions. One is the direct way of giving something to the Power which demands it; and Sir Arthur Salter was probably right in saying that, politically, the only concession of this sort worth making "is the concession that, at the time of making, you are visibly strong enough to refrain from making." But there is a second way. To surrender to the general good what one Power demands as a peculiar right is the most effective of all concessions. At present Germany demands colonies for exactly the same reason as we keep them—for profit and prestige. If we surrendered prestige and reduced our profit by extending the mandate system to all our colonies, by immediately announcing a return to the policy of the Open Door, by offering our mandated territories for international administration (which are some of the steps suggested by Mr. Buxton), we would disarm Germany beforehand. Prestige may be a poor sort of argument for any purpose, but so long as prestige weighs with us in keeping our colonies so long also will it remain a valid argument for Hitler. We cannot have it both ways: if it is good for us to be a colonial Power it is good for Germany; if it is bad for Germany it should be bad for us. Can anyone doubt that, if the Government were to announce that Britain would return to the policy of the Open Door it would make a more profound impression than Mr. Lansbury's laudable peace mission.

RELIGION IN RUSSIA

MUI TSAI

Ex-Govt. Official
Expresses Views

The following letter on the mui tsai problem appears in the "Manchester Guardian."

Sir,—In the "Manchester Guardian" recently there appeared a leading article on the "Mui Tsais" or slave girls of Hong Kong and Malaya. Fundamentally the leader is right in condemning a system in which children are bought and sold like so many chattels. And it was in order further to suppress the already illegal traffic that the 1936 Mui Tsai Commission went to the Far East.

But the problem is still unsolved, and may remain so for many years yet. For it is more deep-seated than we at first imagine. It is a problem of poverty, and until poverty is eliminated Mui Tsais will continue to find a price and become the slaves of the buyer. Registration of Mui Tsais and adopted daughters, which prevails in Hong Kong and Malaya, does not stamp out the evil; it only restrains the cruelty of wicked masters; it limits but does not put a stop to the system. The Chinese Government itself has made the traffic illegal, but it is easy to circumvent the law. It is done in this way. Instead of directly buying the child, the intending owner will adopt it or accept it as a gift. Later on he will make another "gift" to the previous owner. Thus there has been no sale — only two gifts have been made. And so the practice continues within the law.

Why are these children bought and sold as slaves? It is that the Chinese are more cruel and callous than we are? Can it be said that Chinese parents love their children less than we do and that they are so unloving that they will even sell their children for monetary gain? These suggestions are obviously untenable. The answer is found in the extreme poverty of millions of the Chinese. Recurrent floods and drought, with consequent famine, leave thousands of families so reduced that they literally are unable to feed their children. Rather than let them starve to death, the parents will sell their children into some richer household where, at least they will have adequate food and shelter.

It is wrong to infer that all Mui Tsais on attaining maturity are sold into prostitution. A few are, but the majority are married, and it is the responsibility of their masters to find a husband for them. Most of the children are well cared for, and many are unwilling to return to their own families when the opportunity has been offered them. For they know that whilst they are slaves they have enough food, and to return to their parents might mean to suffer again the starvation which they had known before. Whilst I was in Canton there was a beautiful child, a Mui Tsai, who lived in the house next door to me. I spoke to her frequently. She was the happiest creature, well fed and well dressed, and would have done anything for her mistress, who was a kindly woman.

Yet it must be admitted that there are numerous cases of cruelty and bad treatment. In such the Governments of Malaya and Hong Kong have taken strong measures. But for us in the West, ignorant of the customs and conditions of

It is not easy to come upon a church service in Russia to-day. There are not many churches open, and religious days may come on any of the six which comprise the Soviet week. But I was fortunate in being in Leningrad when a regular service took place in one of the churches. The congregation nearly filled the church and people of all ages were represented, although most of them were elderly. The singing was excellent and there was not the slightest doubt about the religious fervour of the people. One of the priests was quite young but his enthusiasm was patent to all. Passersby took little notice when the crowd poured out into the street.

It was the same in Moscow. In Tiflis I went on a round of churches with a young Georgian who has been in the U. S. A. for some years. He was quite at home in Tiflis, where he was born, and spoke both Georgian and Russian. Our first call was at St. Simon's Cathedral, now more than a thousand years old. It was full of priceless icons, pictures, and precious metalwork, and had not been damaged in any way. There was an elderly priest and an active young assistant, who were quite ready to talk to us. They showed us their special treasures, including a cross trimmed with silver which Saint Nina is supposed to have brought to Georgia from Jerusalem 1,700 years ago. They claimed that many people attended this church, and certainly it looked prosperous enough. While we talked several people came in and knelt in prayer before various icons; more than one lit candles.

Our next visit was to a synagogue. A number of roughly clad Jews were sitting on forms in a sort of courtyard near the door, and they eagerly offered to show us through their church. They spoke Georgian and even used this language in their services, so they said, but they could use whatever language they wished. This freedom in the matter of language is one of the strong points in the Soviet's attitude towards the national minorities, and nowhere is the Russian language forced on them; it is often taught in the schools as a foreign language.

These Jews were most enthusiastic about Soviet rule. There is no doubt that the Jews in the Caucasus suffered much in Tsarist days. Everyone hated them and they were unmercifully persecuted. My Georgian friend told these men how he himself had been taught by his parents that the Jews killed babies, drained their blood, and used it at religious feasts, and many other tales to the same effect. There were tears of emotion in one old man's eyes, and his only complaint to-day was that their synagogue was not large enough to hold all the people who came to the services.

On the steps of an Armenian church we found a jolly, old, grey-froked priest chatting to a group

China, it is perhaps unwise eagerly to denounce a system to which we conveniently attach the repugnant name of "slavery" without understanding the root causes of that system. That cause is poverty, and whilst it is good to ameliorate the conditions of the Mui Tsais it should always be remembered that the system will not disappear until widespread poverty itself has been eradicated.—Yours, &c.,

ROBERT BRUCE, late Malayan Civil Service
Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire,

of women. Inside there was little decoration as in the Greek Orthodox Church, but the building was in a good state of repair. From behind a screen the deep intonations of a male voice echoed around the bare walls, but there was no one else in the church.

In the lower part of Tiflis there is a tiny shrine guarded by an old, white-haired woman who smiles at one and all in a friendly fashion. It is merely a little alcove with a religious figure painted on the wall and a few brackets to hold candles, but apparently there are enough people passing by who will pause a moment to go inside and pray, light a candle, and drop a coin in the money-box to support it.

We talked to the priest in another church — a comparatively new one, built in 1907, — who said that many people came into services there from the country. It contained some fine icons and a few pictures — one of St. George and the Dragon, — but most of the walls were bare and white. The priest explained that they were to have been painted, but the Revolution put a stop to it, and now "the Government will not spend money on churches, so they will probably never be done."

He had a kind, sad face, like that of a saint. He told us that the priests had been persecuted there considerably, but he did not blame the Government. It was due to over-zealous local officials, and as soon as the Government learnt what was going on it promptly put a stop to it. The Church, he admitted quite frankly, had taken an active part in anti-revolutionary work and had suffered the consequences. One of his own bishops had been caught using the Church as a mask for anti-revolutionary activities, and this had brought much trouble down on them all. But

now everything was all right, he said, and no one troubles them at all.

While we were talking the priest's little girl came in. She was about eight years old, and was wearing a pretty little print dress. She was chewing some kind of green leaves, and as she sat down carelessly on the dais in the centre of the church she spat out the stalks on to the carpet. The priest chided her, but she took not the slightest notice. Then she watched one or two people who were praying before the icons and was just about to make some remark when her father stopped her. Soon after that she got up and strolled out, with an expression on her childish face, which looked like the utmost contempt for her father's profession and the Church in general.

Wherever possible I got on to the subject of religion with the guides in different places. None of them believed in it, and most of them gave me the impression that they thought there were many more interesting and useful things to talk about. One man whom I met in Kharkoy was willing to discuss almost any subject. I asked him if he thought the Russian people would ever go back to religion. "No," he replied, "the break was utter and complete." I insisted that religion of some sort was to be found in every race on earth and that I thought it would return to Russia. "Never," he said. "You do not understand how great the break was." Then he told me some of the fakes which had been disclosed at the famous monastery in Kiev, the Kiev Pecherska Lavra, and many similar things. He was not bitter, but it was impossible to shake him from his belief in the Communist attitude towards religion J. A. C.



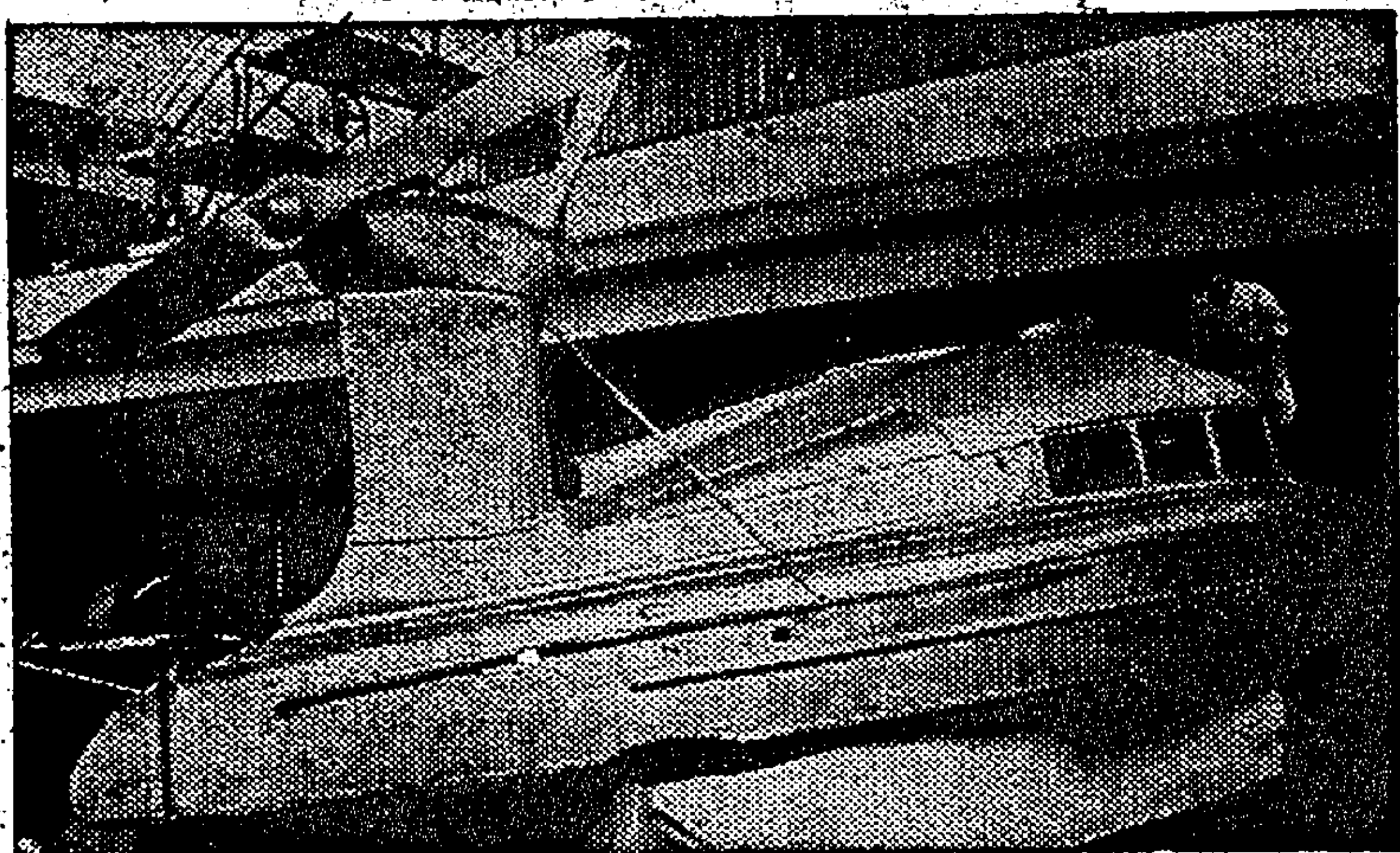
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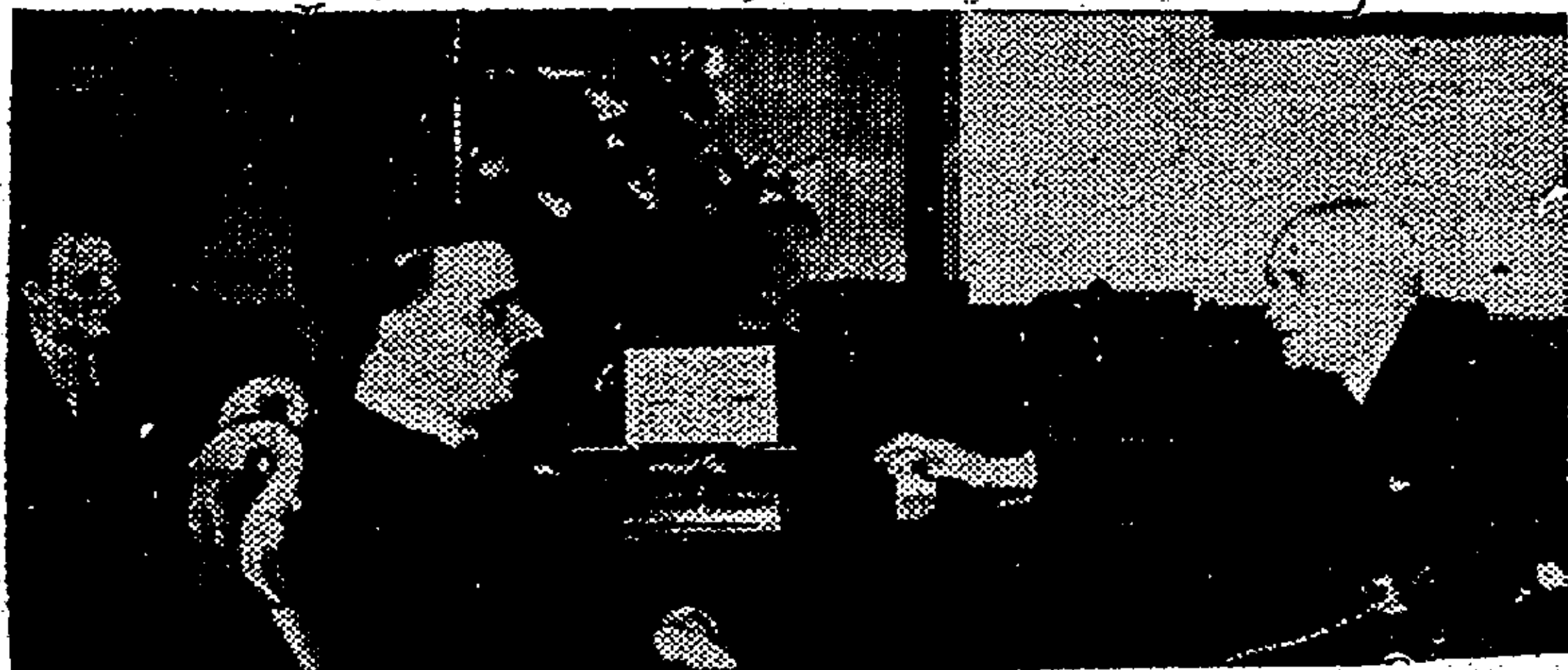
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This radiophoto from Paris shows Madelaine de Fontanges, journalist and former actress who is being held by Paris police for shooting Count Charles de Chambrun, one of the foremost diplomats of France.



The new League High Commissioner for Danzig, Professor Carl Burckhardt, with President Moscicki of Poland, with whom he has been conferring.

WORLD RECOVERY

GENEVA EXPERTS FALL TO DETECT GENUINE STABILITY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Geneva, To-day.

A rather pessimistic view of the international situation is taken in the annual report of the director of the International Labour Bureau, which was published here yesterday.

WHILE ADMITTING THAT BUSINESS IS AGAIN ON THE UP-GRADE, THE REPORT AT THE SAME TIME ASKS HOW LONG IT WILL CONTINUE.

NO-ONE, IT DECLARES, HAS THE FEELING THAT STABILITY OR BALANCE HAVE BEEN ATTAINED.

Efforts to stimulate trade through reduction of tariffs and removal of quotas are also regarded with scepticism, it being asserted that they are mere modest first steps and their significance and importance is greatly over emphasised.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR

Turning to armaments, the report declares that while in times of crisis armaments projects, like other public works, serve to tide over the depression, they must cease as soon as signs of improvement in private industry are perceived.

"The general unrest which manifests itself in open preparations for war in Europe and Asia has hindered trade development."

The German four-year plan is also discussed in detail and is condemned.

"HARMLESS"

Dealing with distribution of raw materials, the report states that every sign of progress in the direction of re-establishment of free international exchange of goods and capital, constitutes a step towards proper distribution of raw materials for peaceful purposes.

The efforts on the part of some countries to develop substitute materials are characterised as "harmless."—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Hsu Shik-ying

Shanghai, To-day.

Mr. Hsu Shik-ying, Chinese Ambassador to Japan, arrived in Shanghai yesterday morning.—Our Own Correspondent.



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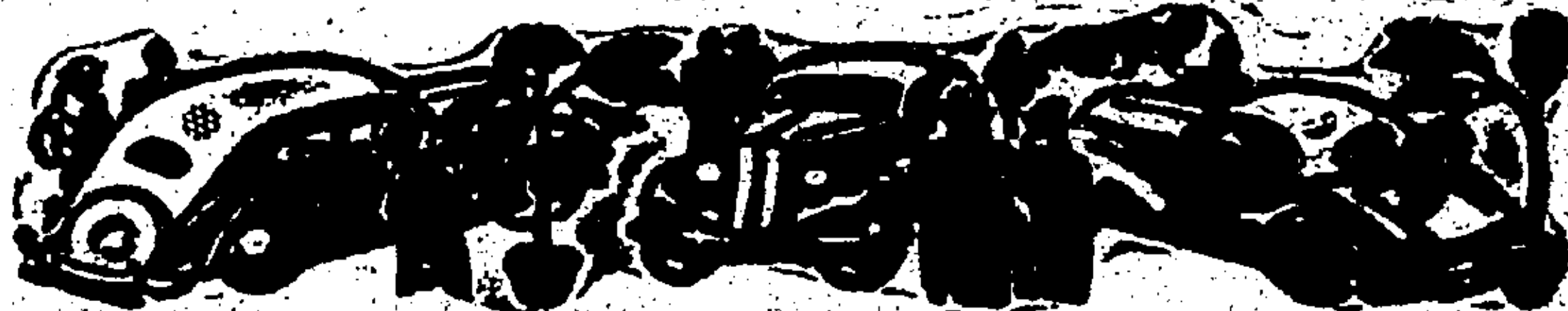
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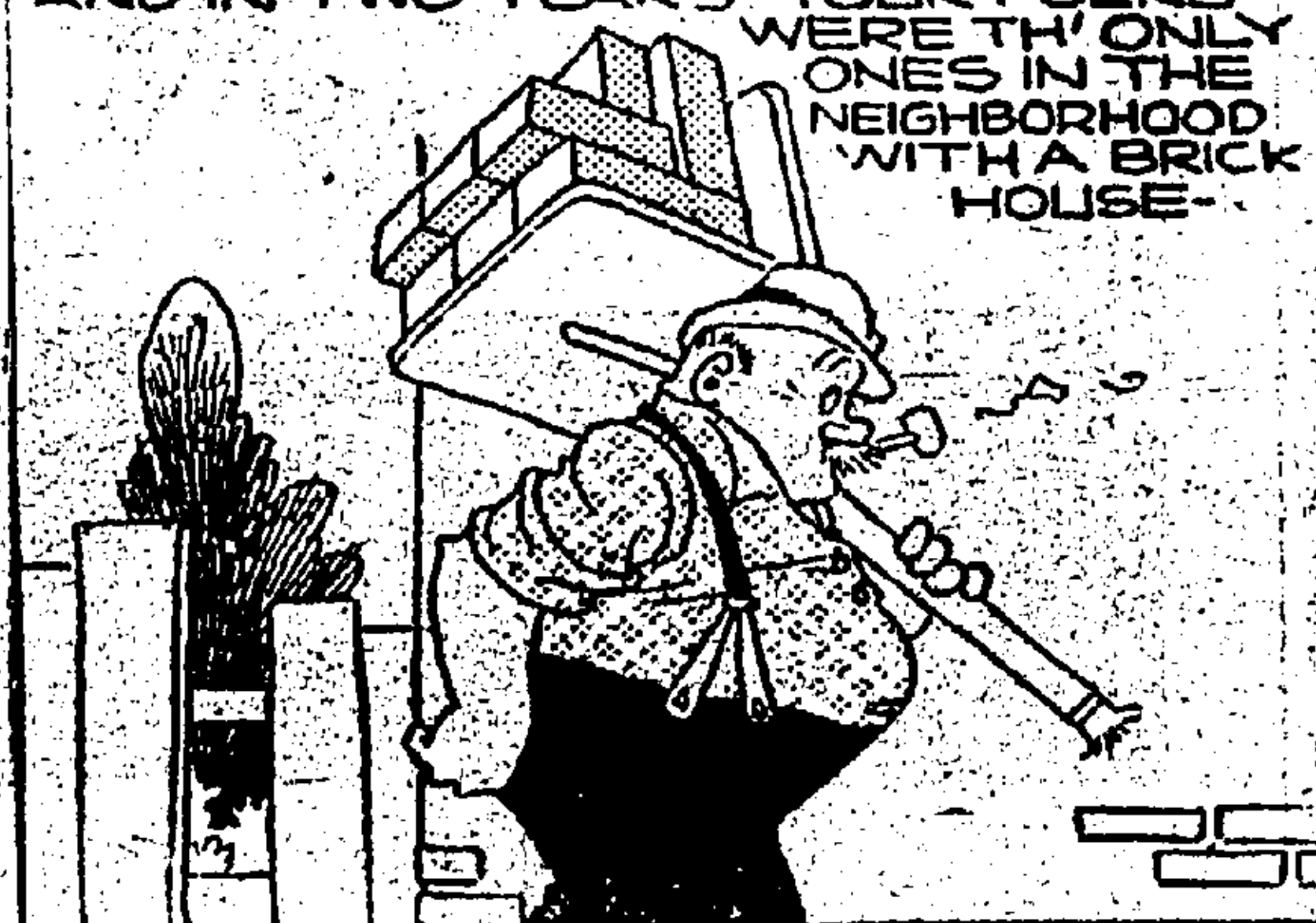
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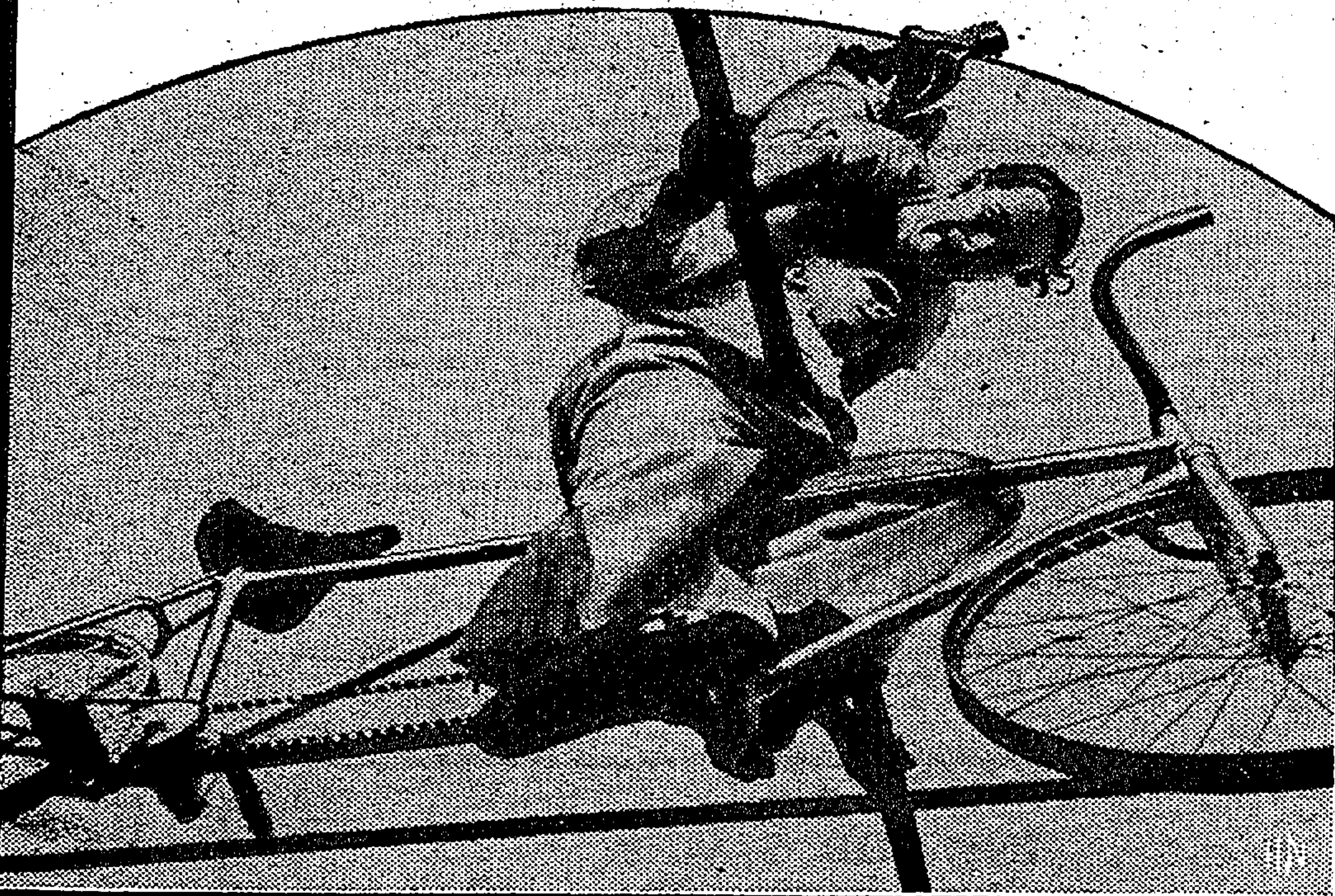
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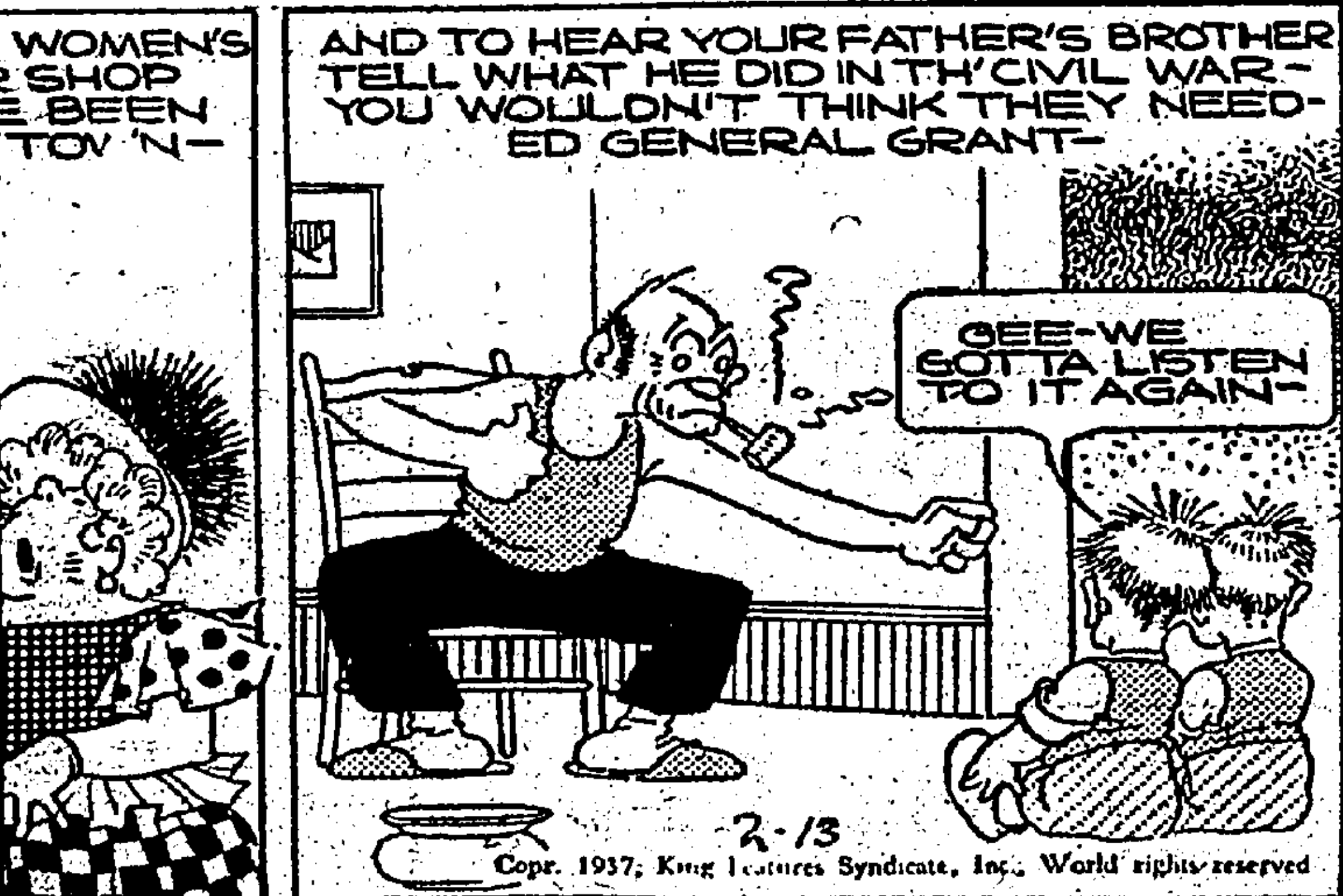


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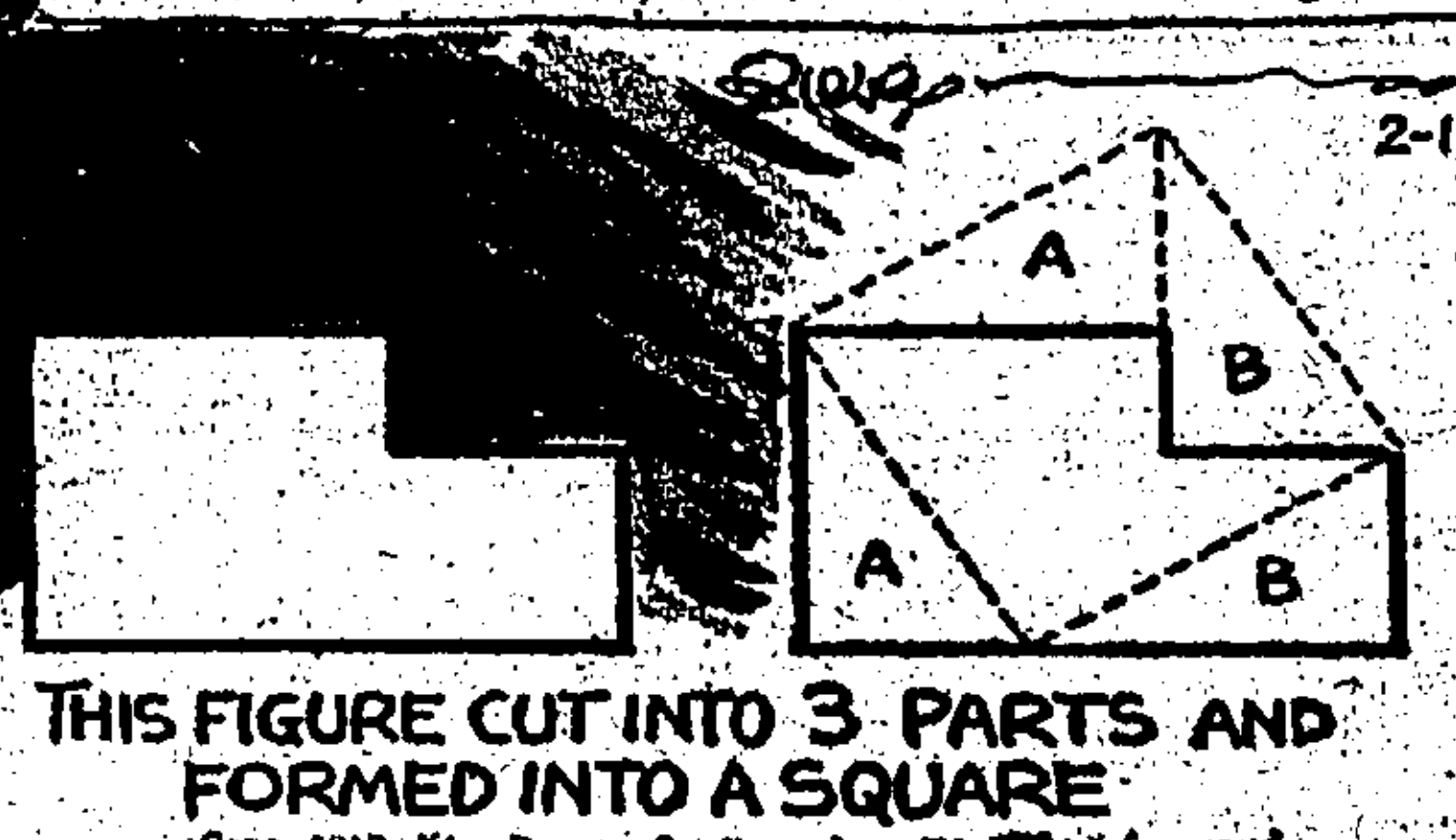
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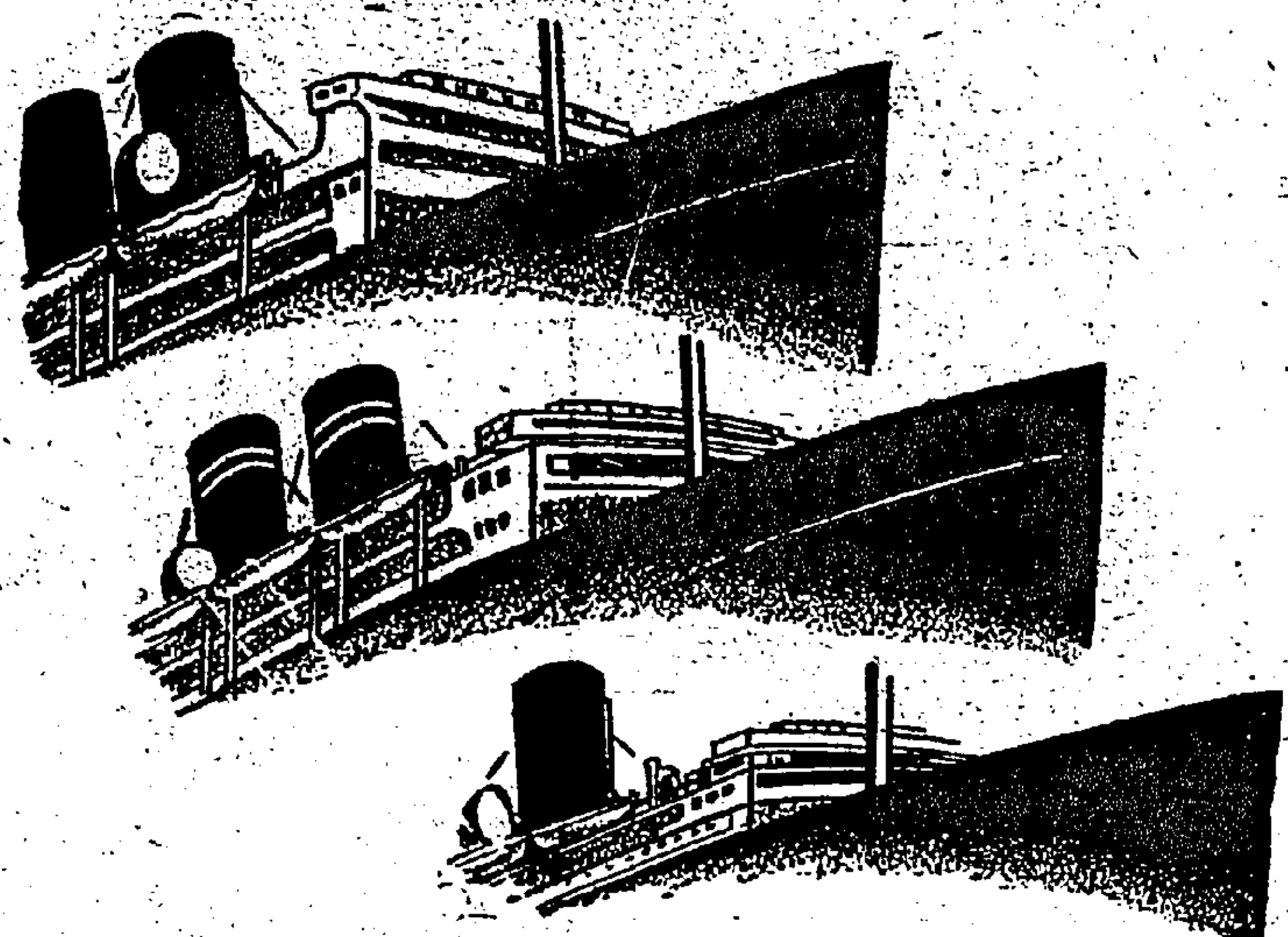
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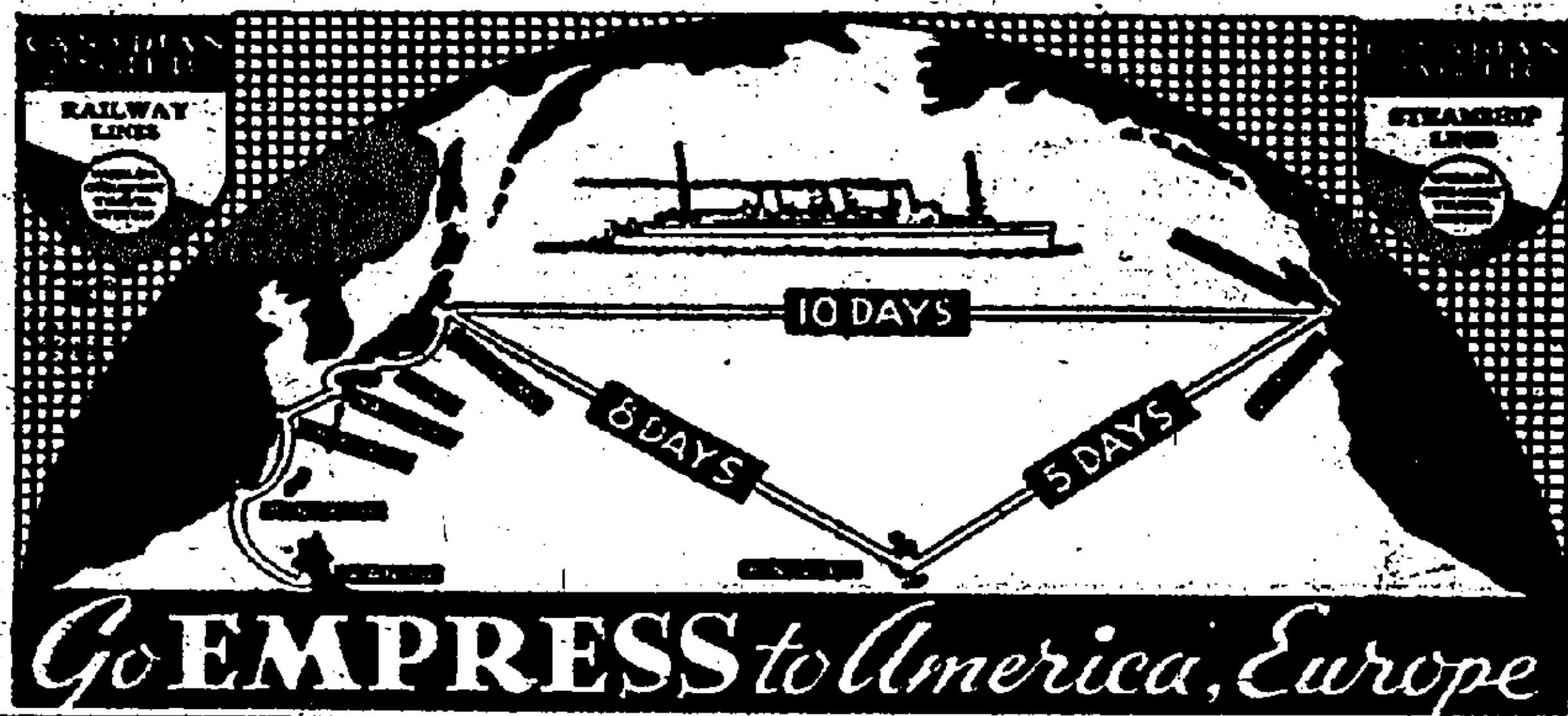
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ANOTHER JUNK PIRACY

CARGO OF ORE AND WOLFRAM SEIZED

A minor case of piracy occurred in Hong Kong waters in the early hours of Monday morning when pirates boarded a junk near Tang Mung Island and escaped with loot valued at \$1,516.

Victim of the raid was Hon Muk, 29-year-old master of junk No. 101V. His boat was boarded by five men, two of whom were armed with revolvers, at 4 a.m. off Tak Hon Point, near Tung Lung Island. The suddenness of the attack took the master and crew by surprise and everyone on board was forced into the hold, where they were tied up.

Taking their time, the pirates systematically looted the junk, which was carrying a cargo of Chinese copper money and wolfram ore.

With loot worth \$1,516, the pirates made good their escape. First intimation of the piracy was given this morning when the junk's owner reported the matter to Police Headquarters.

FRENCH CABINET MEETING

Extension Of 40-Hour Week Principle

Paris, To-day.

A report on the foreign situation, with special reference to Spain, was given to yesterday's meeting of the Council of Ministers by the Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos.

M. Delbos was congratulated on the favourable results achieved by the non-intervention committee.

Various decrees concerning introduction of the 40-hour week in several trades were adopted.

The Minister of Interior submitted decrees introducing the 40-hour week in the metal industry, the building trade and public works in Algeria.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

London Silver Prices

The dollar opened on demand to-day at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20-1/2 and "forward," at 20-9/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.9205 and the New York on London cross-rate at 4.92.

LORD KITCHENER

Buried On Kenya Flax Farm

Earl Kitchener of Khartoum, brother of the famous soldier, who died in hospital at Nairobi, aged 90, was buried on his flax farm in the Eldoret district of Kenya Colony. His grave was beside that of his daughter, Lady Nora a Becket, who died in Kenya in 1919.

The funeral was attended by many local settlers to whom Lord Kitchener was little more than a name. He was one of the loneliest farmers in Kenya. For many years he deliberately cut himself off from the world, attended only by two native servants.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

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Hong Kong Bank \$1855 b. \$1860 sa.

Bank of East Asia \$89 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Canton Ins. \$320 b.

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China Lights (Old) \$14½ b.

China Lights (New) \$14.10 b. \$14.20 sa.

H. K. Electrics \$60 b.

Sandakan Lights \$12 b.

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Itogons 1.05

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Northern Mining .07½

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Salacot Mining .04½

San Mauricio 1.85

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STRONG BID FOR AGREEMENT

Sugar Conference Discussions

London, To-day.

Replies hitherto made to the negotiating committee of the International Sugar Conference show that the delegations are unanimous in desiring conclusion of an equitable arrangement.

Several delegations offered special concessions designed to facilitate application of the agreement during the year 1937/1938, but the committee is still dealing with reservations by other nations, notably the Netherlands, Czechoslovakia, the Soviet and Peru.—Reuter.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 37-½ b. Down ½.
May/June 38-½ b. Down ½.
July/Sept. 38-¼ b. Down ¾.
Oct./Dec. 38-¼ b. Down ¾.
Market: Dull.

INDO-JAPAN PACT TERMS OF TRADE TREATY

A statement detailing the terms of the Indo-Japanese trade protocol, signed in New Delhi was issued by a spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office. The protocol, the statement said, will remain in effect until March 31, 1940, and substantially reproduces the terms of the protocol which expired last month.

The following modifications were, however, made in the new accord:

1. Japan will be permitted to export to India 283,000,000 yd. of cotton piece-goods annually, in exchange for the purchase of 1,000,000 bales of Indian raw cotton. The exports of cotton textiles may, however, be increased to 358,000,000 yd. if the purchases of Indian raw cotton are increased to 1,500,000 bales a year.

2. The excess of exports of cotton textiles in one year which may be adjusted against the next year's quota is raised from 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 yd.

3. The "coloured" category of the previous protocol is sub-divided in the new document into "coloured printed" and "coloured dyed" or woven goods, and the total quota is allotted between the various categories in the following percentages: plain greys, 40 per cent.; bordered greys, 13 per cent.; bleached goods, 10 per cent.; coloured printer goods, 20 per cent.; and coloured dyed, or woven, goods, 17 per cent.

4. The quota is exclusive of cotton fents; but Japan undertakes to limit the exports of cotton fents to India to 895,000 yd. annually.

The Government of India, the statement said, agreed that the customs duties on cotton fents shall not exceed 35 per cent. ad valorem.

The statement added that the notice of denunciation must be given by October 21, 1939. The convention regarding the commercial relations between India and Japan will be withdrawn but it was agreed that it would continue to have effect for the period covered by the protocol.

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CHINESE IN FORMOSA Cannot Compete With Japanese

Owing to the entrenched business organisations in Formosa, Chinese there have no chance to compete with the Japanese in any commercial or industrial enterprises, according to Mr. Y. M. Kwo, Chinese Consul-General in Formosa, who arrived in Shanghai en route to Nanking to report to Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Practically all of the 50,000 Chinese residents in Formosa, Mr. Kwo revealed, belong to the labouring class, taking up odd jobs as miners, tailors, cobblers, and carpenters.

While most of the Chinese in Formosa come from Fukien owing to the geographical propinquity of the province, natives of Kwangtung are also found in no small number on the island, Mr. Kwo said.

In view of the difficulties faced by the Chinese overseas in Formosa, Mr. Kwo suggested that they might find a way out in their homeland.

According to Mr. Kwo, the Chinese overseas are prohibited to take back what they earned in Formosa to China in the form of cash. Furthermore, the Formosan law is also hostile to those who have handsome savings.

Mr. Kwo, who will proceed to Nanking to seek instructions from the Central authorities, will remain here for some time before returning to his post, Central News reports.

The m.v. Chinese Prince, from New York, sailed from Los Angeles on March 29 and is expected here to-morrow.

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DISGRACEFUL FOOTBALL WITNESSED

Eastern Defeat
South China

JUNIOR LEAGUE FIXTURE

One of the most disgraceful exhibitions of football seen in the Colony was witnessed at Caroline Hill yesterday, when South China defeated Eastern in the Second Division of the Hong Kong League by the odd goal in three.

The game was of a very poor standard and was marred by doubtful tactics on both sides, and in the latter stages of the game little attempt to play football was made.

The referee took a lenient view of things, and though he managed to keep the game under control, he might have improved the encounter had he pulled up the offenders more often.

TWO PLAYERS SHINE

The game itself was mostly of a kick and run type. Little combination was seen on either side. Only Leung Po-yin, Eastern's inside-right, and Choo Wing-hong, on South China's right-wing, livened up the game by some good individual play.

Lee Ping-tong and Leung Po-yin were the best of a poor Eastern forward line, and though they were seen combining on a few occasions, rarely tested Tang, the South China goalkeeper.

Sabhan, on the left-wing, was disappointing. He was inclined to over-run himself and paid too much attention to the opposing half. He centred well in the last minutes, but his inside-forwards were too slow.

South China took the lead when Kwok Yin-loy scored in the first half, but Eastern equalised in the second period through Leung Po-yin. Choo scored the winning goal for South China soon after.

South China:—Tang Sek-hong; Tan Chong-pak and Choo Shui-hong; Wong Sam-bun, Chia Kam-hong; Ng Kin-man; Lok Tai-hang, Lee Pin-leong, Chow Wing-hong, Kwok Yin-loy and Wong King-cheong.

Eastern:—Chan Kam-fai; Ko Kwok-shu and Fong Chee-shing; Lee Ping-Hei, Lee Chan-hong and Lai Wai-lam; Lee Ping-tong, Pau Chui-on, Tsang Wai, Leung Po Yin and M. Sabhan.

PERRY & VINES TO PLAY IN ENGLAND

Wembley Lawn Tennis Plans

Fred Perry, formerly Britain's No. 1 lawn tennis player, will appear with Ellsworth Vines the American, in a professional lawn tennis tournament at Wembley Empire Pool on May 25, 27, 29.

Wembley authorities stated last night that Mr. H. W. David, of the Empire Pool, had cabled from New York that he had obtained the signatures of both players.

Perry and Vines are to leave New York on May 15, and will play in the provinces as well as in singles and doubles match at Wembley.

FOOTBALL REFEREES' MEETING

The half-monthly meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association will be held in the offices of the Hong Kong Football Association, Gloucester Building, at 8 p.m. next Monday.



W. Muir, above, one of the keenest baseball players in the Colony, has been re-elected President of the Hong Kong Baseball League.

FINCHER AND HUNG SHOULD WIN EASILY

To-day's Doubles Encounter

FIRST SEMI-FINAL TO-DAY

(By "ADREM")

I cannot see any particularly inspiring tennis resulting from the doubles semi-final to be held on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong C.C. this afternoon between E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung, and Wong Fuk-nam and Liu Kwai-fun.

The former pair are not playing as convincingly as one would expect of last year's runners-up, but as yet, they have not been extended and I cannot, see them being extended this afternoon.

The South China A. A. players are a very average League combination, and I shall be very surprised if they win more than four games in the two sets.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Colony Open Doubles
E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fun or W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung (stand court).

Club Championship Singles
A. L. Sullivan v. G. W. Sewell.
H. Owen Hughes or F. V. Harrison, or G. E. R. Divett v. J. F. Leys or M. Pagh.

Club Handicap Singles
F. V. Harrison (—3.6) v. V. R. Gordon (scr.).

M. PAGH DEFEATS J. F. LEYS

GOOD CHANCE FOR CLUB TITLE

LOSERS' SERVICE ERRATIC

(By "ADREM")

M. Pagh displayed admirable all-round form in his Club championship match against J. F. Leys, on the Stand Court at the Hong Kong C. C. yesterday, to win easily by 6—3, 6—3.

Leys made far too many errors and never gained control of his shots. As a result Pagh had merely to keep the ball in play and wait for his points. Pagh's best stroke was his forehand drive, which he took very early and placed with great accuracy into Leys' backhand corner.

At the commencement of the match, the loser was hitting with great severity on the forehand, but evidently disconcerted by Pagh's retrieving, in the latter stages, he completely lost control and could never sustain a rally. On occasions a concentrated attack on Pagh's backhand bore some fruit, but he was never sufficiently accurate to sustain it.

POOR SERVICE

Leys' service, reputed to be the fastest in the Colony, was dreadful, and in keeping with the rest of his game, was terribly erratic. I should think he served as many double faults as he did good ones. When his cannon-ball service did find the court, it presented no difficulties to Pagh, who almost invariably returned it with the greatest of ease.

Pagh was very convincing and appears to be fairly safe for the title.

Club Championship Singles
M. Pagh beat J. F. Leys 6-3, 6-3; H. Owen-Hughes beat A. K. Mackenzie 6-2, 6-1.

Club Handicap Doubles
G. E. R. Divett and B. O'M Deane beat H. R. B. Hancock and T. E. Pearce 6-3, 6-1.

Club Handicap Mixed Doubles (Semi-Finals)
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sullivan beat V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Mackie 3-6, 6-4, 8-6.



Wong Wing, above, the former South China "A" goalkeeper, will be playing water-polo for the Mak Ngah Association this season.

SEAFORTHS MEET RECREIO THIS AFTERNOON

Week-End Soccer Fixtures

Three postponed First Division League football games have been arranged for this afternoon, and the most interesting should be the encounter at Sookunpoo between the Seaforths and Recreio.

The former still have a chance for the runners-up position and will meet South China "A" next week.

The following are the Football League fixtures for the week-end:—

TO-DAY	
First Division	
South China "B" v. Eastern	(Caroline Hill, 5.15 p.m.)
Seaforths v. Recreio	(Sookunpoo, 5.15 p.m.)
Kowloon v. St. Joseph's	(Kowloon, 5.15 p.m.)
SATURDAY	
First Division	
Fusiliers v. Recreio	(King's Park, 4.45 p.m.)
Athletic v. Rifles	(Sookunpoo, 4.45 p.m.)
Kowloon Chinese v. Police	(Club, 4.45 p.m.)
South China "A" v. St. Joseph's	(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
Second Division	
Seaforths v. Club	(Causeway Bay, 3.15 p.m.)
Fusiliers v. Stonecutters	(Chatham Road, 4.45 p.m.)
Kowloon Chinese v. Chinese Police	(Club, 3.15 p.m.)
Engineers v. Lyemun	(Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)
Third Division	
Seaforths v. Kwong Wah	(Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)
Ordnance v. Recreio	(Prince Edward Road, 3.15 p.m.)
Air Force v. Liga	(Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m.)
Fusiliers v. Medicals	(Prince Edward Road, 4.45 p.m.)
Service Corps v. Chinese Police	(Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m.)

GREAT METROPOLITAN

London Yesterday.

The Great Metropolitan run today, resulted as follows:—

1, Corofin (100 to 8) 2, Styx River (100 to 8) 3, Kepton (4 to 1). The race was won by five lengths, a head separating Styx River from Kempton. There were 15 starters. —Reuter.

W. T. TILDEN FOR WEMBLEY

W. T. Tilden has signed a contract with the Wembley authorities to appear at the Empire Pool in professional lawn tennis matches on May 25, 27, and 29. Perry and Ellsworth Vines have already been booked and in the doubles these two will play together against Tilden and a partner to be selected.

Local Sporting Chatter

Ride Back Again

L. T. RIDE, the University and Hong Kong C.C. cricketer, who had been in Shanghai for some weeks, has returned to the Colony. He was forced to withdraw from the H.K.C.C. tennis tournament.

Misses Silva Turn To Tennis

THE Misses Mylthie and Cynthia Silva, prominent members of Recreio "A" mixed doubles badminton team, the current champions, have taken very enthusiastically to tennis and are practising hard with a view to entering the Recreio tennis tournaments which will be commenced shortly.

Miss Smalley's Win

MISS R. Smalley, who played with great success for Hong Kong Ladies' junior hoc-

key eleven in the recent Brawn Cup series, won the mixed doubles lawn tennis handicap tournament at the University, in partnership with K. W. Ooi.

Tennis Gaining Popularity

MISS J. Weller and Miss J. Smalley are two other prominent lady hockey players who are now playing a good deal of tennis.

Suggestion To H.K.B.A.

THE Hong Kong Badminton Association's Presentation Night was very badly supported, there being very few people present. It is hoped that in future the Association will arrange to have at least one of the Championship matches decided on that particular night in order to draw a larger crowd.

ARMY TEAM MOST DISAPPOINTING

FINE CRICKETERS BUT POOR RESULTS

GARTHWAITE LEADS IN BATTING FIGURES

H.K.C.C. JUNIORS' LACK OF REGULAR XI

(By "ADREM")

THE Army senior cricket eleven, with some of the finest talent in the Colony at their disposal, were the most disappointing team in the League and instead of challenging very strongly for the championship, as most critics thought they would, they finished near the bottom of the table.

THEY STARTED OFF PROMISINGLY ENOUGH, BEING UNFORTUNATE TO LOSE TO THE CLUB AFTER SCORING 167 FOR 8, AND HAVING SLIGHTLY THE BETTER OF A DRAW WITH THE PREVIOUS SEASON'S CHAMPIONS, THE KOWLOON C.C. THEREAFTER IT WAS JUST ONE TALE OF DEFEAT AFTER DEFEAT, AND TOWARDS THE CLOSE, THEY WERE EXCEEDINGLY FORTUNATE TO BEAT CRAIGENGOWER.

The batting averages make very depressing reading, Lt. C. C. Garthwaite being the only batsman to return anything like decent figures with 33.40. The next highest is Capt. Michell with 28 in two innings.

The bowling figures are even worse, although Prichard maintained fairly consistent form to capture 17 wickets for an average of 11.65. Garthwaite, an Inter-porter, returned an average of 23.88 for eight wickets. Q. M. S. Warr kept wicket very efficiently.

WENT TO PIECES

Hong Kong C. C., for the major part of the season, were well in the running for the Junior championship. After being rather badly beaten by the Kowloon C. C., however, they went to pieces and appeared to have great difficulty in fielding an eleven. That seems to have been their greatest trouble.

They were not able to keep a regular side together and were great-

ly handicapped as a result. In the course of the season, no fewer than 25 players turned out for them on various occasions.

P. C. Frost, I. Forbes and J. E. Potter, who all came in near the end, topped the batting averages with Victor Bond, who was assisted by four not outs in six innings.

STOKER SHINES

The attack was rather lacking in balance. W. Stoker had an extraordinarily successful season and finished among the leading bowlers of the junior League, but the remaining bowlers were generally very inconsistent.

W. Wooding, behind the sticks, was responsible for some excellent performances, chief among them being three catches in each of the first two matches.

ARMY

RESULTS OF MATCHES

Army: 167 for 8 lost to Hong Kong C. C. 168 for 5.
145 for 3 drew with Kowloon C.C. 180 for 9.
122 lost to Indian R. C. 126 for 6.
115 lost to Navy 119 for 5.
107 for 9 beat Craigengower C.C. 104.
78 lost to Civil Service 185 for 9.

SUMMARY

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
6	1	4	1	4

Note: no record of any match against University.

BATTING

	Inns	N.O.	H.S.	Aggr.	Avg.
Lt. C. C. Garthwaite	5	0	65	167	33.40
Capt. Michell	2	0	55	56	28.00
Capt. Mackintosh-Walker	3	0	24	36	18.00
Lt. Murphy	2	0	33	35	17.50
Capt. Ryland	2	0	20	35	17.50
Lt. Hon. G. R. Clegg-Hill	5	1	24	61	15.25
Capt. Watch	4	1	41*	43	14.33
Lt. D. M. C. Prichard	6	0	33	83	13.84
Cpl. Jackson	4	0	31	51	12.75
Bdsman Cheney	3	1	21*	22	11.00
Lt. Barron	4	1	15*	27	9.00

The following also batted: — Col. Lightfoot (11, 29*); Capt. Persse (7); Bdr. Baker (0); Q. M. S. Warr (4*, 6, 0, 0*); Sgt. Daniells (0); Lt. Gray (1); Cpl. Jones (1); Lt. MacLagan (0); Cpl. Hopcroft (6); Cpl. Shipp (2); Q. M. S. Moreton (0); Capt. Murray (12).

* Indicates not out.

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
Lt. Prichard	45.3	4	198	17	11.65
Lt. Murphy	21	0	107	5	21.50
Lt. Garthwaite	48.5	9	191	8	23.88
Lt. Barron	36	3	175	5	35.00
Capt. Ryland	13	1	41	1	41.00

The following also bowled: — C. S. M. Elvin (3 — 0 — 7 — 0); Bdsman. Cheney (6.1 — 0 — 22 — 2); Lt. Hon. G. R. Clegg-Hill (6 — 0 — 16 — 0); Cpl. Shipp (4 — 0 — 10 — 0); Capt. Watch (2 — 0 — 9 — 0); Cpl. Hopcroft (1 — 0 — 2 — 0); Q. M. S. Moreton (10 — 1 — 43 — 4).

The following held catches: — Lt. Garthwaite (3); Lt. Prichard (2); Q. M. S. Warr (2); Col. Lightfoot, Bdr. Baker, Lt. Hon. G. R. Clegg-Hill, Capt. Watch, Lt. Barron, Sgt. Daniells, Pte. Herbert, Capt. Ryland, Cpl. Hopcroft, Capt. Mackintosh-Walker, Bdsman. Cheney.

Q. M. S. Warr stumped 4, while Pte. Herbert stumped one batsman.

HONG KONG C. C. 2nd XI

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

Hong Kong C.C. 110 for 6 drew with Army "B" 222 for 5.
133 for 9 beat Police R.C. 52.
190 for 7 drew with Army "C" 196 for 9.
157 for 7 drew with R. Navy 237 for 5.
170 for 9 beat University 51.
150 for 3 beat Army "A" 149.
119 for 4 beat Civil Service 105.
113 lost to Kowloon C.C. 158 for 4.
117 lost to Indian R.C. 123 for 5.
158 for 4 beat Club de Recreio 139 for 7.
62 lost to Craigengower C.C. 121.

SUMMARY

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
11	5	3	3	18

BATTING

	Inns	N.O.	H.S.	Aggr.	Avg.
P. C. Frost	3	1	76	151	75.50
J. E. Potter	3	1	60*	86	43.00
I. S. Forbes	2	0	64	83	41.50
V. C. Bond	6	4	27*	83	41.50
A. K. Mackenzie	8	2	56	194	32.33
E. Bathurst	6	1	71	153	30.60
R. M. M. King	7	2	54*	111	22.20
H. A. Murray	2	0	34	40	20.00
C. G. Agnew	4	0	40	72	18.00
C. E. Gahagan	7	0	43	106	15.14
J. R. Way	3	1	12	23	11.50
N. P. Fox	8	0	32	83	10.38
W. Stoker	6	1	13	42	8.40
F. A. Dunnnett	7	0	20	58	8.29
J. A. Davis	3	0	24	25	8.00
W. Wooding	5	0	16	37	7.40

The following also batted: — G. S. Chambers (0, 5, 4); P. E. Baskett (4); M. Y. Fiennes (9*); A. S. Read (0); F. J. Barron (5); F. J. Leys (0); G. A. Stewart (12); J. Barrow (3); W. M. Barton (0).

* Indicates not out.

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
W. Stoker	106	20	323	36	8.97
J. R. Way	11	2	44	4	11.00
E. Bathurst	26.1	4	137	10	13.70
N. P. Fox	42	4	166	11	15.91
C. E. Gahagan	10.4	0	67	4	16.75
A. S. Read	7	0	40	2	20.00
C. G. Agnew	17	0	88	3	29.33
J. A. Davis	8	0	61	1	61.00
F. A. Dunnnett	55	8	245	3	81.67

The following also bowled: — W. K. Robinson (12 — 0 — 77 — 1); M. Y. Fiennes (2 — 0 — 28 — 0); P. E. Baskett (4 — 0 — 36 — 2); P. C. Frost (3 — 0 — 10 — 2); J. F. Barron (3 — 2 — 1 — 1); J. F. Leys (1 — 1 — 0 — 0); J. E. Potter (1 — 0 — 10 — 0); V. C. Bond (4 — 0 — 29 — 0); R. M. M. King (3 — 0 — 21 — 0); H. A. Murray (0.1 — 0 — 0 — 1); P. C. Frost (11 — 1 — 52 — 2); A. K. Mackenzie (5 — 1 — 21 — 2); I. S. Forbes (3 — 0 — 10 — 0); J. Barrow (4 — 0 — 11 — 0).

The following held catches: — W. Wooding (8); A. K. Mackenzie (5); N. P. Fox (4); W. Stoker (3); J. A. Davis (2); C. E. Gahagan (2); R. M. M. King (2); C. G. Agnew, F. A. Dunnnett, M. Y. Fiennes, V. C. Bond, (2); P. C. Frost, J. E. Potter, G. A. Stewart, H. A. Murray (2); J. R. Way (2); ...
W. Wooding stumped one batsman.

NEW GOLF COURSE AT ST. ANDREWS

Town Council's Plan

London, March 30.
St. Andrews, famous all over the world for its golf links, is considering the layout of a fifth course. The meeting of the St. Andrews Town Council last night intimated that the council was negotiating for the purchase from the University of a large tract of ground on St. Nicholas farm, adjoining the East Sands.
If the council obtains the land it proposes to use it for the building of bathing shelters, and, if suitable, it will explore the possibility of constructing a nine-hole golf course.

JOE DARLING PROPOSES FINE IDEA

OLD CRICKETERS' FUND

LOOKING AFTER TEST PLAYERS

(By J. C. DAVIS)

Sydney, March 11.

Mr. Joe Darling, captain of the 1899, 1902, and 1905 Australian XI's in England visited Melbourne from Tasmania to see the final Test match. As he surveyed the big crowds from the Melbourne C. C. committee room, on the balcony, he swept his hand across with eloquent emphasis, and said, "This is wonderful."

"Don't you think," he said to me, "an Old Cricketers' Fund should be established by the Board of Control?" "We have one in Sydney," was the reply. Hurriedly breaking in, Joe ejaculated: "That's right! But we want something bigger than that, to apply generally to old players throughout Australia."

"Good idea! You ought to bring it forward and invite everyone, including the Board of Control and the associations, to assist it," said the writer.

"I strongly favour the fund, a start to be made with a match here next season," said the old fighting Australian, as he again waved his hand to indicate the double-decker and all the smaller deckers round the field.

AUSTRALIA v THE REST

"Australia versus The Rest! We have played them before. It would be a good start for the fund."

One pointed out that a match of somewhat similar nature was to be played in Adelaide as a testimonial to V. C. Grimmett and V. Y. Richardson early next season.

"That's one, of course," said the old Australian captain, "but another could be played here."

"And still another in Sydney," one added.

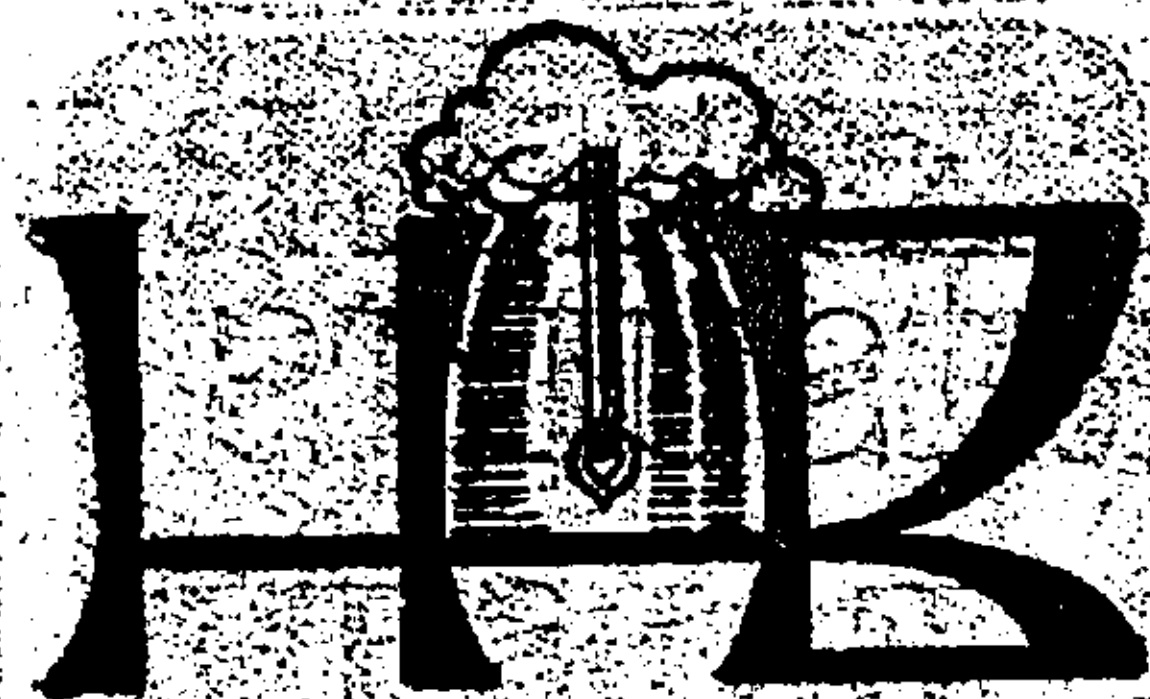
QUICK START

"Yes," responded Joe. Enthusiasm lighted up his face as he stated that he would endeavour to get the movement started before he went back to his island home.

There is a strong human appeal underlying this suggestion.

It comes from one who is well fixed in life for old comrades of his and others who may not be in so happy a position.

The Board of Control does not often meet. The idea might be best exploited by the leading cricket associations giving it their best consideration. They meet every month.



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U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

New York, To-day.
The only surprise in yesterday's American Baseball League programme was the defeat of the World Series winners, the New York Yankees, at the hands of the Senators, who nosed out a victory by 3 to 2, Simmons clouting a home run.

High scoring featured the clash between the Red Sox and the Athletics, the former scoring 11 runs to which the latter replied with five including a homer from Johnson.

Blank-outs prevailed in the National League and "Dizzy" Dean heralded his entry by holding the Reds while the Cardinals won by a margin of two runs.

Blanton was also in fine form from the mound, for the Pirates, blanking the Cubs.

The following were yesterday's results:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
New York	4	10	1	
Brooklyn	3	5	3	
St. Louis	2	9	2	
Cincinnati	0	13	0	
Dizzy Dean pitched (10 innings were played).				
Pittsburgh	5	9	1	
Chicago	0	5	0	
Blanton pitched.				

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Washington	3	10	0	
Simmons hit a homer.				
New York	2	10	2	
Boston	11	18	2	
Philadelphia	5	13	4	
Johnson hit a homer.				
Cleveland	3	9	2	
Detroit	4	8	2	
Walker hit a homer.				

TWO SNOOKER MATCHES HELD LAST NIGHT

E. A. Dos Remedios
Easy Win

Playing in an open championship snooker match at the Civil Service Cricket Club last night, E. A. dos Remedios beat H. R. Sequeira by 207 points to 99.

C. Strange beat U. S. Santos by 145 points to 134, in a closely fought contest.

RUNNERS IN CITY AND SUBURBAN

London, To-day.
The following are the probable starters for the City and Suburban which is being run to-day:—

William of Valence (Packham), Pampas Grass (Perryman), His Grace (Gordon Richards), Esquemeling (Besant), The Blue Boy (Carslake), Astyanax (Steve Donoghue), Lovely Rosa (Weston), Hypothesis (D. Smith), Ripponator (Lowrey), Orichalque (Crouch), Gynarium (W. Rickaby), Edgehill (E. Smith), Reward (Levett), Pigskin (Clifford Richards), Dyckley (Sirett), British Quota (Bartlam) and Hollands (Wing).—Reuter.



John Cobb, the famous British racing motorist, above, set up a new record for the Brooklands race track in his Napier-Railton Special during the Broadcast Trophy Handicap.

INTER-SCHOOL HEATS HELD YESTERDAY

Finalists For
Friday

The heats of the Hong Kong Inter-School sports were held yesterday at Caroline Hill when the following qualified for the finals which be held on Friday afternoon commencing at 2 p.m.

100 Metres:—A. Sequera, Chan Kwai Sum, Wong Kay Lun, H. Souza, C. Housegood, Lee Cheung Ling, P. Castro, Chan Wai Hai, E. Stone.

Long Jump:—Chan Kam Tin, Mak Wai Fong, G. Willis, Wong Kay Lun, Chan Wai Hai, E. Souza.

800 Metres:—Wong Yan Hing, A. Sequera, J. Odell, K. Knight, Wong Chow Moo, E. Petrove, Ko King Hum, Ng Chun Wing.

Pole Vault:—A. Ulrich, W. Chan, Fung Shui Sik, Woo Bik Yui, Yeung Si Yee, Lam Yui Sing.

200 Metres:—Mak Wai Fong, M. Cock, Chan Wai Hai, P. Castro, G. Sequera, Lee Cheng Wong, A. Ulrich, Chan Kwai Sum, C. Large.

Shot Put:—N. Singh, A. Ulrich, G. Derkach, Woo Bik Yui, Wong Chau Ma, Tang Kung Hung.

400 Metres:—E. Petrove, C. Housegood, Wong Chak Sum, Wong Yan Hin, G. White, J. Griffith, Ho Chee Wing, Chan Wah Kuen, M. Carlos.

High Jump:—Wong Kam Tin, Ko Tin Yum, E. Adwill, Cheung Shiu Lui, G. Willis, Kaan Wah Tuen, I. Mayhew, T. Suiter, Au Kit Mun, Lui Kwai Chun.

1500 Metres:—Wong Yan Hing, A. Sequera, A. Keown, K. Knight, I. Kempton, Wong Chow Moo, J. Koo Hwang, Ko King Hum.

110 Metres High Hurdles:—A. Ulrich, Chung Shui Lui, Lui Ming Shum, E. Adwill, G. Willis, Yau Bu Chin, Woo Bik Yui, Chau Hon Cheung.

Medley Relay:—D.B.S., C.B.S., St. Stephens, St. Josephs, La Salle, and Wah Yan.

CHANGE IN LAWN TENNIS PROGRAMME

It is now advertised that the semi-final in the Colony open singles Lawn Tennis Championship between H. D. Rumjahn and F. H. Kwok will be played to-morrow and not on Monday next, as stated yesterday.

FASTEST RACE AT BROOKLANDS

WON BY JOHN COBB
AT 136 M.P.H.

PRINCE'S NARROW ESCAPES

Brooklands, March 30.

The fastest race at Brooklands since the famous track was opened in 1907 thrilled a great crowd of spectators at the first meeting of the season this afternoon.

It was the chief event of the day, the Broadcast Trophy Handicap, over 29 miles. John Cobb, superbly driving his huge silver record-breaker, won it at 136.03 m.p.h. from a standing start.

Cobb had to give starts to nine other competitors, but he won with ease. His car, which is capable of 170 m.p.h. and has maintained 150 m.p.h. for 24 hours, holds the Brooklands lap record at 143 m.p.h. It is probable that to-day's figures represent the highest speed at which any race of more than sprint distance can be won at Brooklands.

EARL HOWE'S FORMER CAR
Third in this race was Mervyn-White's Bugatti, a car once belonging to Earl Howe, which ran away with the first race of the season at the fine speed of 121.4 m.p.h.

In the Broadcast Trophy Mervyn-White finished 50sec. behind Cobb, after receiving 44sec. start.

"B. Bira," Prince Birabongse, the brilliant young Siamese driver, made a good beginning to the season's racing. Besides taking second and third prizes in his two "mountain" races, he twice successfully avoided collisions among a press of cars fighting for the turn under the members' bridge.

SKILL AND DARING
His skill and daring got him out of tight corners on successive laps

VANDERBILT PLEASSED WITH RANGER

Bath, Maine, March 17.
Harold S. Vanderbilt left here last night for New York, "very much pleased" with construction progress on his \$300,000 America's Cup contender Ranger. Vanderbilt, who hopes to race the big class J. sloop against T. O. M. Sopwith's British challenger Endeavour 2nd this summer, spent several hours yesterday at the Bath Iron Works Corporation shipyard. It was understood here the racing sloop would slide into the Kennebec river sometime next month.

YACHTING WIN FOR THE R. ENGINEERS

Seaforths Lose Team
Event

Yachts representing the Royal Engineers and the Seaforth Highlanders contested a race over 6.6 miles yesterday, the Engineers winning by 13 points. Results.

R. E. Team			
	Finished	Pos.	Pts.
Carpenter	16.42.55½	2	7
(Capt. Eley and Lt. Pattullo).			
Amemis	16.45.40	6	3
(Maj. Edwards and Lt. Douglas).			
Isobel	16.43.16	3	6
(Col. Fordham and Maj. Dixon).			
Gull	16.42.55	1	9
(Capt. Bader and Lt. Luckin).			
Total: 25 Points.			
Seaforth Highlanders' Team			
Lobo	16.45.39	5	4
(Maj. Barclay and Mr. Allen).			
Eve	16.52.07	7	2
(Capt. Mason and Capt. Baird).			
Joss	16.52.32	8	1
(Col. Muirhead and Mr. Ross).			
Cicada	16.45.38	4	5
(Mr. Garner-Smith and Mr. Innes).			
Total: 12 Points.			

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German Court Fine
Berlin Player

A Berlin footballer was fined 50/-, with the alternative of six days' imprisonment, because he made insulting remarks to a spectator who applauded a goal gained by the opposing side.



Donald Budge, above, who has been ranked No. 1 in the U.S. Men's Lawn Tennis ranking list, will be the biggest threat to Australia's chances in their Davis Cup encounter.

WORLD'S FINEST DIVING STAR FOR ENGLAND

Pete Desjardins To
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Pete Desjardins, former Olympic champion, will be in England for three months this coming summer to show how spring-board diving should be done.

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Friday, 23rd April—Semi-Final
 Open Singles (S. A. Rumjahn vs. Fincher).
Monday, 26th April—Semi-Final
 Open Doubles (Wong & Luk vs. Rumjahns or Gosano & Remedios).
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Thursday, 29th April—Final Club
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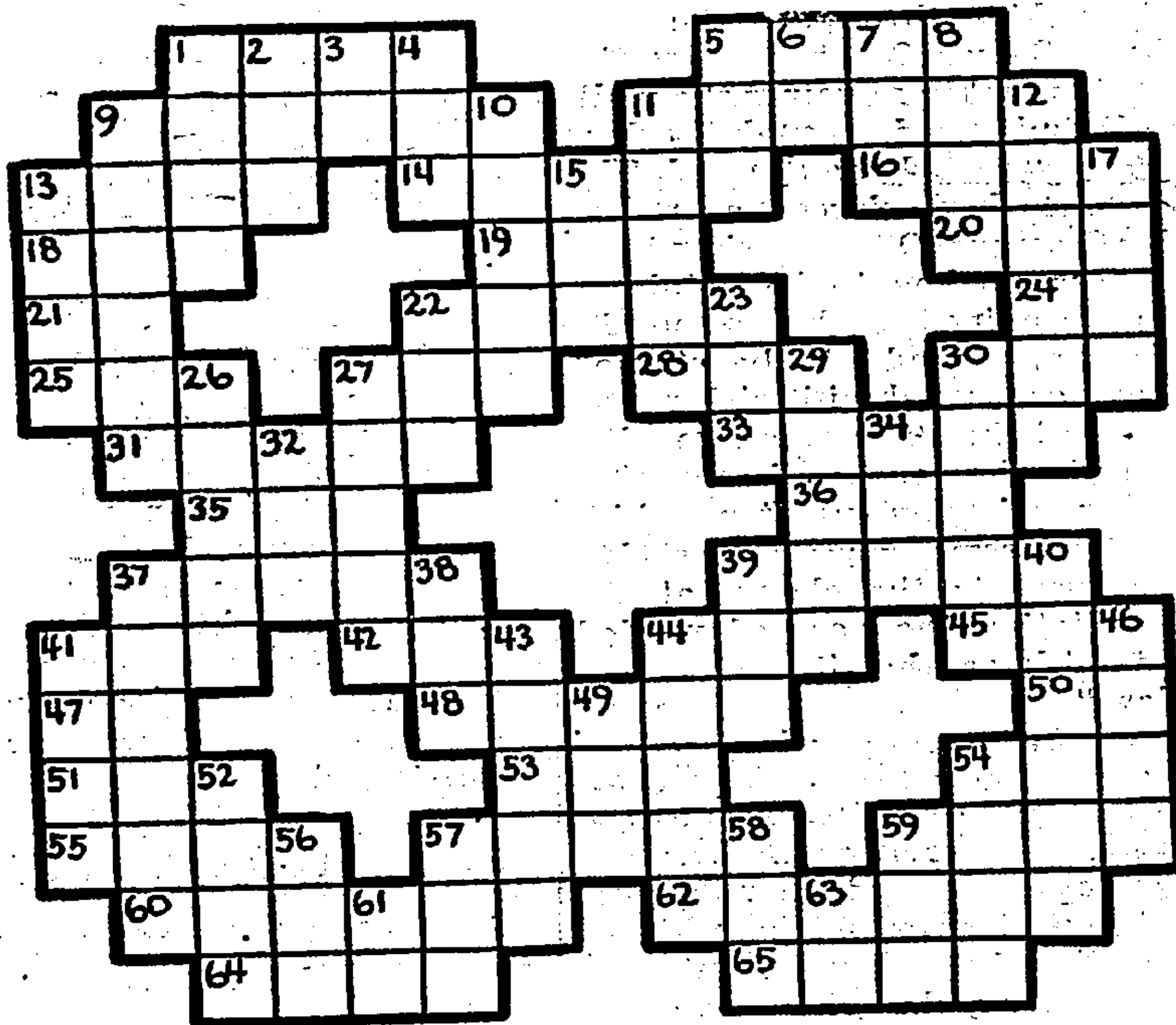
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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert
 but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
 phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Moved swiftly
- 5—A lure
- 9—Flower bunches
- 11—Sofa
- 13—To kill
- 14—Choice part of society
- 16—A condiment
- 18—Etruscan god
- 19—Crude metal
- 20—Hawaiian garland
- 21—Pronoun
- 22—Rate of motion
- 24—Credit (abbr.)
- 26—Church seat
- 27—Attach
- 28—A pastry
- 30—Consumed
- 31—A dress material
- 33—The nostrils
- 35—Sailor
- 36—A title
- 37—Prevent from acting
- 39—Obscure
- 41—Hinder
- 42—Sag
- 44—Had existence
- 45—Consume

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 47—Exit
- 48—A street arab (Fr.)
- 50—Negative
- 51—Carpenter's tool
- 53—Cover
- 54—A food container
- 55—A defensive armor
- 57—Heroine of Homer's Illiad
- 59—Anger
- 60—Obliterates
- 62—Purify
- 64—English school
- 65—Domesticate

VERTICAL

- 1—To box
- 2—Raise with a lever
- 3—Each (abbr.)
- 4—Stain
- 5—An insect
- 6—Near by
- 7—Pronoun
- 8—Small river-duck
- 9—Pieces of thin rock
- 10—Slant
- 11—Sheer
- 12—Chooses

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13—Slide
- 15—Anger
- 17—Part of an auto
- 22—Wrong-doing
- 23—Noise
- 26—Irrigate
- 27—Fatigued
- 29—Relieves
- 30—Nest of an eagle
- 32—Make lace
- 34—Clear of
- 37—Harm
- 38—Equip
- 39—Interdict
- 40—Control
- 41—Foundation
- 43—Dime
- 44—Broader
- 46—Pitch
- 49—A wire measure
- 52—Telegram
- 54—Walking-stick
- 56—Perched
- 57—A fowl
- 58—Lace fabric
- 59—Edge
- 61—Extremely
- 63—Musical note

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle
 will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SWAPS

SWAP HEREIN NOT HEREAFTER
WILL SELL or SWAP

- 1 Agfa Movie Camera 16 mm. 105
- 2 Old English Porcelain Plates
- 3 Two Samarcand Dishes
- 4 One Egyptian Nimy Pat. Dish
- 5 8 Thessalian Bread Plates
- 6 Opaque Genevieve China Plates
- 7 Bosphorus Blue Pat. Plates
- 8 Chin Lung Water Plate
- 9 Blackwood Curio Cabinet
- 10 Blackwood Joss Table
- 11 Large Blackwood Tray & Stand
- 12 Marble Top Opium Stool
- 13 Portable Gramophone
- 14 Table Model Gramophone
- 15 Kodascope Projector Model C.
- 16 Small Cabinet Victrola
- 17 Kodak Film Tank No. 2 1/2
- 18 Re-built Underwood 10"
- 19 Old Rex Typewriter 16"
- 20 Early Ming Scroll
- 21 Collection very old Coins
- 22 Concert Banjo-as new
- 23 Blackwood 4-fold Screen
- 24 Electric Table Fans
- 25 Verity Ceiling Fan
- 26 Various Electric Switches
- 27 Seal Stamp Embosser
- 28 Small Writing Desk Teak
- 29 Salador Water Filter
- 30 Gateleg Dining Table
- 31 White Enamel Sink
- 32 Enamel Bath Tub & Taps
- 33 Large Roll-top Desk
- 34 Teakwood Office Desks
- 35 Large Chest of Drawers
- 36 Child's Dresser with mirror
- 37 Single Iron Bed complete
- 38 Ladies' Dressing Table
- 39 Small Chest of Drawers
- 40 Solar Electric Hair Drier
- 41 Blackwood Centre Table
- 42 Large Bronze Statue
- 43 Automatic Door Closer
- 44 Quantity Old Gramophone Records
- 45 Large Bar Wall Mirror
- 46 Pair Leaded Glass Doors
- 47 Painted Rattan Set
- 48 Radio Cabinet Shell
- 49 Teak Armchair Rocker
- 50 Glass Door Cabinet
- 51 Small Wardrobe with Mirror
- 52 Electric Office Desk Lamps
- 53 Spartan L/M wave Radio
- 54 Philips HT Supply Unit
- 55 Pathe 905 Movie Camera
- 56 Copy Anthony Adverse
- 57 Copy 7 Pillars of Wisdom
- 58 Copy Historic Macau
- 59 Copy Historic Shanghai
- 60 Copy Macau and its Slave Trade
- 61 50 London Metric Textbooks-UTP

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M. DALADIER'S VISIT INVESTED WITH MYSTERY

Important Talks Predicted

London, To-day.
The French Minister of Defence, M. Edouard Daladier, is scheduled to arrive in London to-day.

Although his visit is officially stated to be merely acceptance of an invitation to address the Anglo-French Society's dinner in Manchester, rumours are spreading that there is some deeper significance behind the trip.

The "Evening Standard" learns that M. Daladier's presence will be made the occasion for conducting important conversations.

He will dine in London this evening, the paper says, with Lord Halifax (Lord Privy Seal), Mr. A. Duff Cooper (Secretary for War) and Field Marshal Sir Cyril Deverell, Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

To-morrow (Thursday), M. Daladier will lunch with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS CROOKS HARASSED

Disturbing Police Campaign

Paris, To-day.
Acting along the lines adopted by Scotland Yard, who are "listing" all known criminals in London before the Coronation influx, the Paris Surete are rounding up thieves and pickpockets in the capital's underworld before the opening of the Paris Exhibition.

During the past six weeks, numerous police raids have been carried out in the Montmartre and Bastille quarters.

Over 1,000 persons have been held for investigation and 283 notorious underworld characters arrested.

One paper reports that so uncomfortable has the situation become for the Paris crook that large numbers of criminals have migrated to other towns.—Trans-Ocean.

SCANDINAVIAN ALLIANCE

Conference Begins In Finland

Helsinki, To-day.
The Foreign Ministers of Sweden, Denmark and Norway arrived here yesterday morning for the purpose of initiating a series of talks with the Finnish Foreign Minister.

The talks will deal with the question of pursuing a joint Scandinavian foreign policy within the ambit of European politics.—Trans-Ocean.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Friday is St. George's Day and at 12 o'clock Noon, the President, supported by Past-Presidents and Members of the General Committee, will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph.

The President hopes members of the Society generally will attend this ceremony.

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"THOUGHT PILLS WERE MEDICINE"

Located in one of the most popular residential areas on the mainland, the heroin factory was described as the most perfectly equipped and operated on almost the largest scale he had yet seen by Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit this morning at the Criminal Sessions, when a 26-year-old unemployed, Chin Po, was sentenced to five years' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, for unlawful possession of 161.53 heroin pills, 14 ounces of heroin and another two ounces of pink paste containing heroin on the ground floor of No. 49, Kimberley Road.

The accused, who was represented by the Honourable Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, pleaded not guilty, and the following jury were empanelled: Messrs. A. H. Silva (Foreman), Tang Ying-loong, U Wing-kee, Tsu Ho-tseung, A. Crestejo, L. Jack and R. Kant. Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

HANDS STAINED PINK

According to the prosecution, when the raid was made the Revenue Officers were greeted with the smell of heroin pills being dried. Looking through a fanlight, Revenue Officer Stephens saw the accused crouching against the wall. The officer jumped through the fanlight and arrested the accused. The door was then forced open by Senior Revenue Officer Grimmit as there was no key to be obtained. When examined, the accused's hands were found to be stained pink and encrusted with pink paste. The key of the room was later discovered in the course of searching the servants' quarters. It was hidden behind some bowls on a shelf.

In answer to the charge at the Police Station the accused replied "I did not know that it was against the law."

"MEDICINE" PILLS

The evidence given by Crown witnesses revealed that besides the drug, on the premises were found 15,000 envelopes, which were sufficient to pack seven and a half million pills. The equipment for manufacturing the pills was the most complete yet to be discovered by Revenue Officers.

In the witness box, accused testified that he had only been in the Colony for five days before his arrest. He was introduced to the man who rented the premises, and worked for him at \$5 a month. His master came to the premises for a few hours every day to make the pills which, accused was told, were medicine pills.

RADIO "PIRATES" FINED

Lam Yan-tong of No. 34, Des Voeux Road, Shui Kwai-hong, of No. 2 Yui Wah Street, and F. S. Tong, of No. 24, King Kong Street, were fined \$20 each by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning for having radio sets without licences. Miss Constance Lam, residing at No. 8, Tin Hau Temple Road, was fined \$25.

Rearmament In Denmark

Copenhagen, To-day.
Denmark to spend the sum of 45,000,000 kroner as additional expenditure every year on national defence.
A Bill to this effect was passed by the Landsting yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Battersea Disaster Inquest

London, To-day.
It is believed that a signalman's error caused the Battersea train smash on April 2, according to the Coroner's verdict at the inquest on the victims yesterday. The verdict stated that the collision occurred owing to the train being wrongly admitted to an occupied section of the line.

It was the signalman's first day in sole charge of the box. He thought the apparatus was out of order and broke the seal of the box and manipulated the slides by hand.

He inadvertently gave the signal to the next box that the line was clear when it was not.

The Coroner also emphasised the efficiency of the Southern Railway's signalling system and stated the opinion that the Company was not to be held to blame.—Reuter

PITCAIRN ISLAND AND CROWN

Delegate Sent To The Coronation

London, To-day.
Among the representatives from all over the British Empire who are flocking to London for the Coronation is a delegate from Pitcairn Island, the lonely colony in the Pacific populated by descendants of Fletcher Christian and the mutineers of the "Bounty."

He is David Young, a great-grandchild of Cadet Edward Young, one of Christian's closest friends.—Trans-Ocean.

King Gustaf Of Sweden In Paris

Paris, To-day.
King Gustaf of Sweden, who is spending a short holiday in Paris, was host to President Albert Lebrun at a luncheon party at the Swedish Legation yesterday.

Among the French Ministers present were M. Leon Blum and M. Yvon Delbos.—Trans-Ocean.

Lau Chau, aged 68, was bitten on the left leg by a dog belonging to Mr. Davis, of No. 7, Bay View Mansions, yesterday morning. The man was treated at the G.C.H. and the dog sent to Kennedy Town.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Vancouver yesterday.

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Hitler's Birthday In The Country

Munich, To-day.
Herr Hitler arrived here unexpectedly by plane from Berlin yesterday to spend his birthday in his quite country house retreat. He was met at the aerodrome by Herr Rudolf Hess, his deputy.—Trans-Ocean.

Rain Anticipated

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone in the Pacific to the east of Japan continues to decrease in intensity and another has developed over Mongolia. Depressions are situated over Indo-China and the mouth of the Yang-tse.

Forecast:—S. E. winds, moderate, freshening from N.E.; cloudy generally, rain later.

DEATH

GREAVES.—Rose, dearly beloved wife of Mr. A. P. Greaves, and mother of Mr. Alec Greaves, passed away at her residence, 67, Robinson Road, at 1.35 a.m. this morning after a long illness. Aged 49 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day. Shanghai, Hankow and English papers please copy.

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